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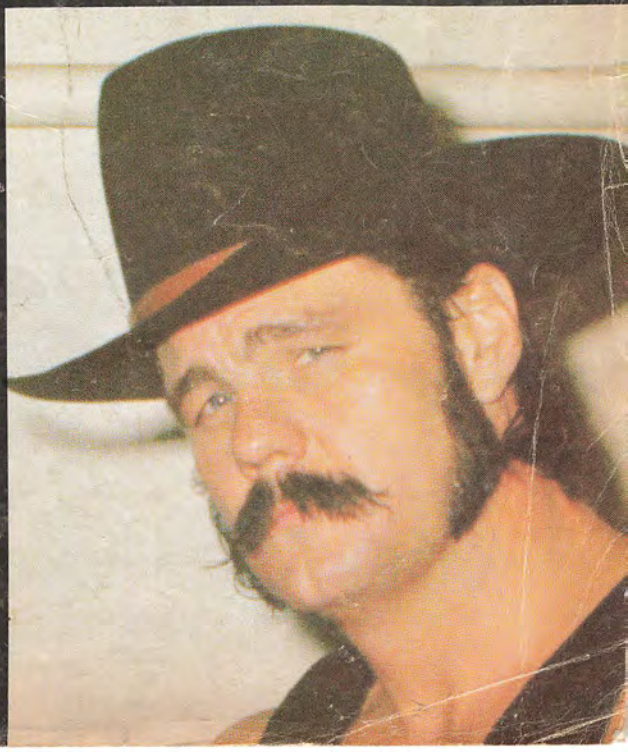

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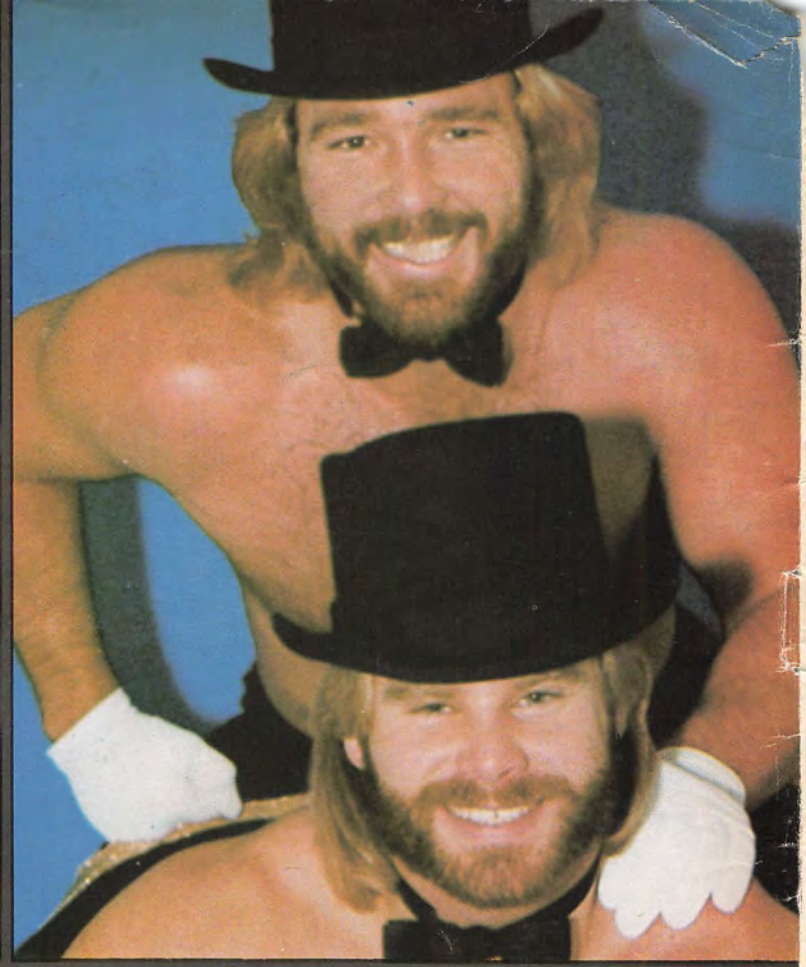

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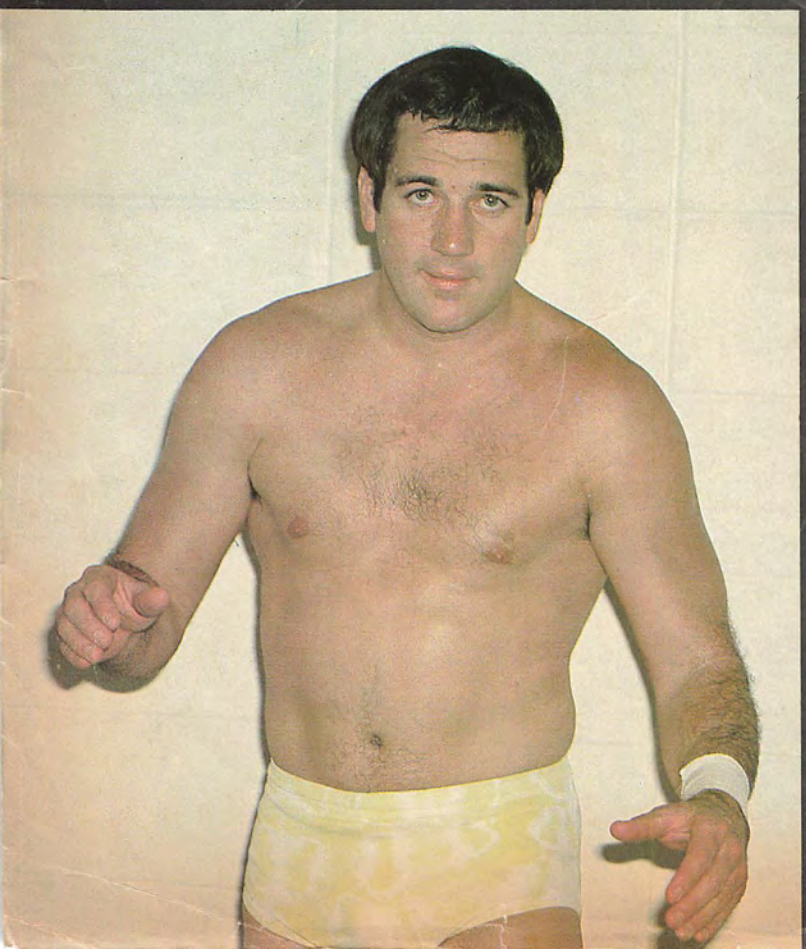

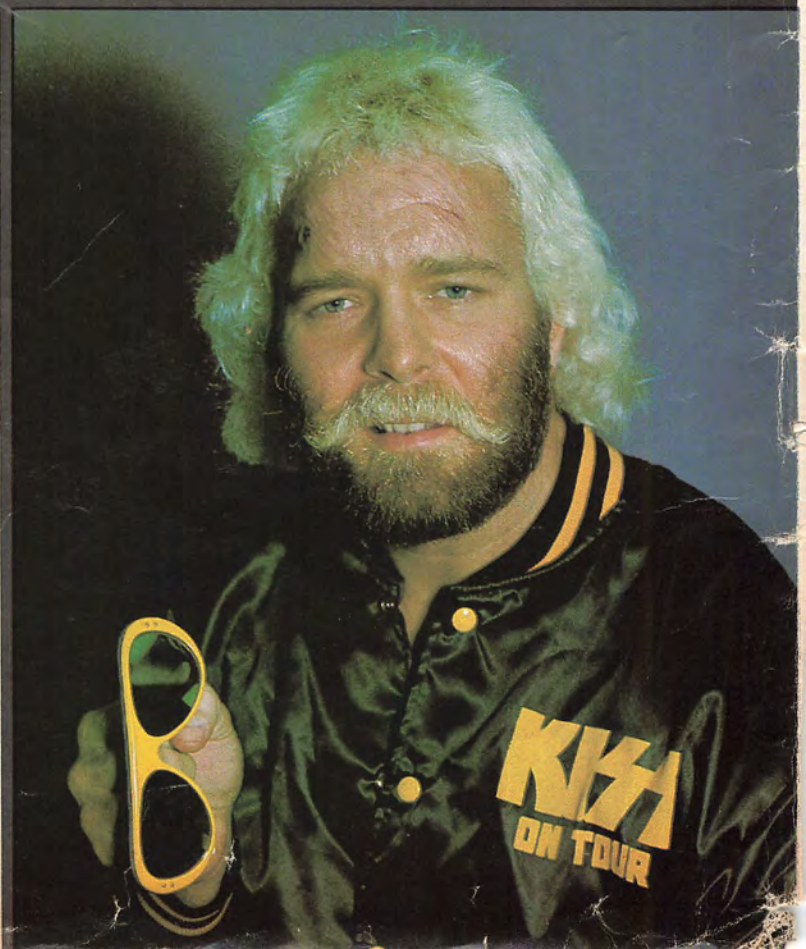

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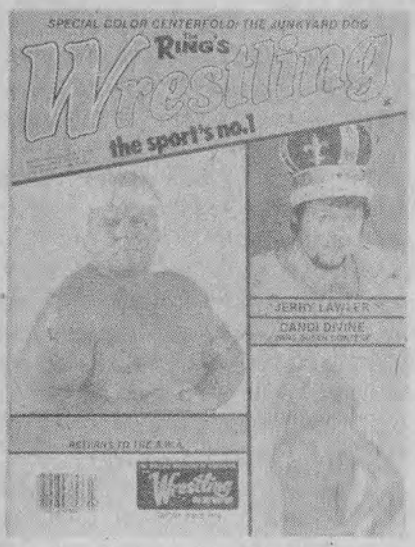

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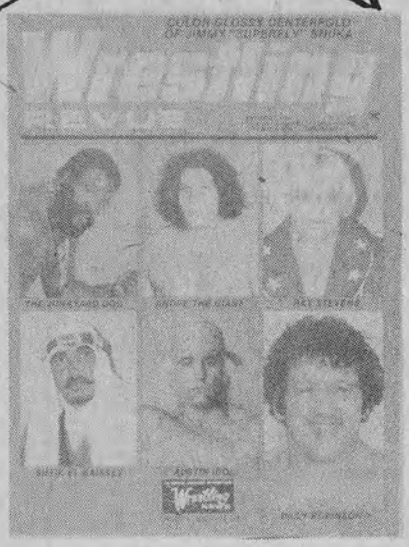

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To start off I want to apologize to all of you readers of The Wrestling News for the lateness of this issue. When I wrote the editorial in issue #108 I stated that we were back on a regular schedule but things did not work out as planned.

The problem is not here at Pro Wrestling Enterprises, but with our joint venture with The Ring Publishing Corporation. As part of that agreement they are responsible for the printing and for the newsstand distribution of the magazine — and they have changed our schedule several times. The Ring Corporation has had problems which we have not been made fully aware of by them, and their promised regular schedule of printing and newsstand distribution has not materialized.

In fact, we had to print several of the recent issues on our own to get them out on time to subscribers — the most recent issue we did this on and so far as we know Ring's printing of that issue has not yet been done — at least no copies have reached us or newsstands from their printing even though they had the complete magazine from us ready to print two months ago. We have not been able to get a satisfactory explanation from them on what their problems are as every time we do hear from them things are fine and being done and we are back on a regular schedule — then we hang in there, twisting slowly in the wind, and find that things are not done as promised.

The reason that I am airing this internal problem with our joint venture agreement with you our readers is to explain to you why we are not on schedule right now and why you cannot find copies of issues on newsstands when you should — that the problem lies with Ring Corp.'s failure to live up their end of our joint venture agreement which is beyond our control.

Pro Wrestling Enterprises has been damaged by these breaches of our agreement, but we will survive. We are now working to get the newsstand distribution restored directly through us, and to get back on a regular monthly schedule. Meanwhile, we are going to publish The Wrestling News on an every other month basis on our own until this problem is settled.

We guarantee that every subscriber will receive the full number of issues due to him, but we suggest that if you are in the habit of buying your copies at newsstands that until the distribution problems are settled some of them will not have copies; to insure that you do not miss a single issue you subscribe to our magazine.

We apologize again for our erratic schedule during the past year. We will continue our efforts to correct things. We thank you all for your continued support.

Our special thanks to the many reporters who help us make each issue as complete and up to date as possible — especially for the results, clippings, programs, and information that you send us. This magazine could not exist as it does without all of your help. We urge you to continue, and any others who would like to start helping us in our effort to cover the entire world of professional wrestling in each and every issue to send reports to **The Wrestling News, Area Close-Ups, P.O. Box 3325, Mankato, Minnesota 56002.**

THE LADY TAG TEAM CHAMPIONS

Princess Victoria & Velvet McIntyre

If you wish to purchase an 18"x20" color poster similar to the picture of Victoria and Velvet that appears on the front cover of this issue of The Wrestling News, you may do so by sending $4.50 money order to Girl Wrestling Enterprises, P.O. Box 6455, Columbia, South Carolina 29260. Mailing and handling are included in that price.

Today women's professional wrestling has the most beautiful and sensational World's Tag Team Champions in its history. Princess Victoria and Velvet McIntyre are far more attractive than the "California Dolls" of Hollywood's recent movie on lady pro wrestling, and they are really great athletes as well. They have shown that they have the gumption and know how to really become World's Tag Team Champions.

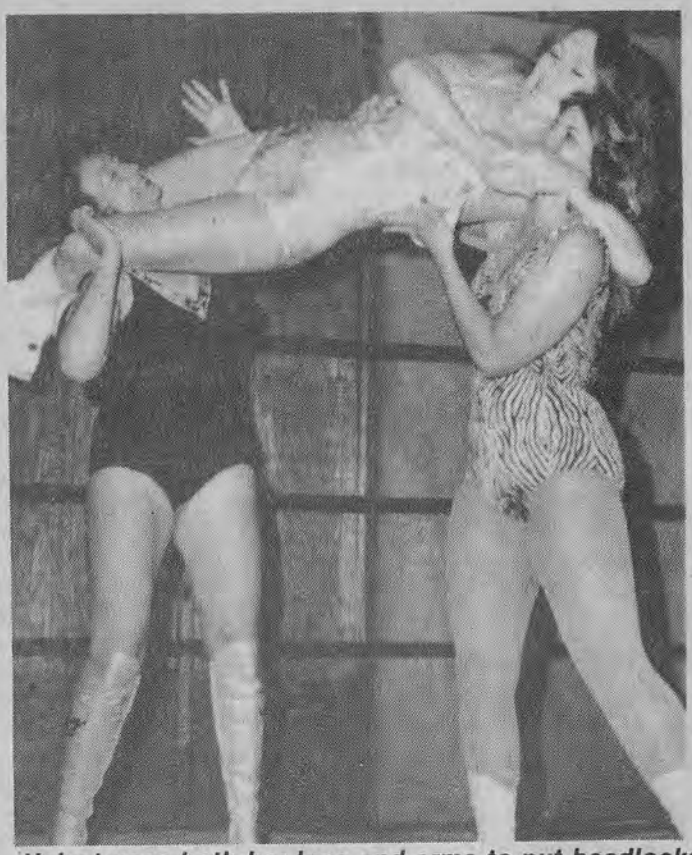
They defeated former titleholders Joyce Grable and Wendi Richter, with McIntyre taking the winning fall from Grable, last year in Calgary and since that time the new champions have been busy defending their titles around the globe.

Both girls are in their early 20's and both have been professional grapplers for a little over four years. They work out hard everyday and stay in top condition. They are ready for any tough competition at any time. The champions were in training and in amateur wrestling for about two years before they turned pro.

Though professional wrestling is not a sport where females abound, those who do are in great demand throughout the world — and Princess Victoria & Velvet McIntyre are the two in greatest demand of any at this time. Since they are constantly on the road and seldom stay long in one place, don't ever pass up a chance to see the lady World's Tag Team Champions in action. They combine beauty and skill in such a way that none will want to miss any appearance by them.

Editor's note: We wish to thank Girl Wrestling Enterprises for the posed photos of the champions that appear on the cover and with this feature story. We wish to thank Gene Gordon for the action photos.

Victoria grabs both Judy Martin and Peggy Patterson.



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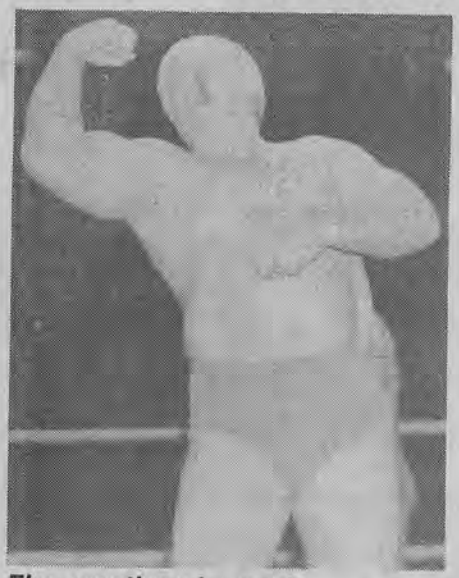
THE A.W.A. IS CRUSHER COUNTRY ONCE MORE

By James C. Melby

One of the biggest bombshells to hit the wrestling world late in 1983 was the return of the one and only Crusher to the ring wars of the A.W.A. "The Wrestler Who Made Milwaukee Famous" had been very conspicuous by his absence for almost two years.

It was no secret that the Milwaukee strongman was forced to cancel some matches after being injured by "Sheik" Jerry Blackwell and "Big" John Studd in a tag team match. Crusher admits that he had a lot of physical pain with one of his arms, not



The wrestler who made Milwaukee famous — the one and only Crusher.

to mention some serious damage to the ribs after that particularly torrid bout.

Upon his return to the A.W.A. he stated that he was in the best physical condition of his long and illustrious career. Crusher said that he built up his strength by doing repeated curls with huge beer kegs. There was also talk of not only training on beer and cigars, but also many nights out on the town dancing the polka for hours on end. Crusher is indeed a very unorthodox athlete, but the end result of his bizzare training program has returned him to the ring as fit as a fiddle.

He has made no bones about his immediate goals. A number of the top badmen of A.W.A. rings are on The Crusher's hit list for 1984. Going down his list of intended ring foes, one can clearly see that some are old adversaries with past grudges to be settled, while others apparently are guilty by association.

A.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion Nick Bockwinkel and manager Bobby "The Brain" Heenan are two men Crusher would like to eliminate from the mat scene once and for all. His goal is far more reaching than just the most coveted championship in all of professional wrestling. Over the years Crusher and Bockwinkel have clashed in a number of classic confrontations, but nothing has ever really been settled because of "The Brain's" interference in those bouts. This time around Crusher has vowed that if he is fortunate enough to be awarded a title shot with Bockwinkel, he will not only win the crown, but also take care of Bobby in a violent matter. As a personal threat/warning he has vowed to "pop the Weasel," which is of course, a nickname that the controversial manager/wrestler hates with a passion.

There is of course, speculation that The Crusher might fit into the tag team title scene also. A main target upon his return is "Sheik" Jerry Blackwell, one of the men who injured Crusher so severely, that it nearly ended his wrestling career for good. During his absence the mighty man from Stone Mount, Georgia has become associated with Sheik Adnann El Kaissey and won the A.W.A. World's Tag Team Championship with "Sheik" Ken Patera at his side.

If anything, these most recent actions have added more fire to Crusher's burning desire to topple Blackwell. First of all there is the lure of the tag team championship belts, and all of the fame and fortune that go with them. Crusher has held those same belts over the years with partners such as Dick The Bruiser, Red Bastien, and Billy Robinson. Robinson is also currently campaigning in A.W.A. rings, so don't be too surprised to see the two veteran ring greats reunite and place a bid for the belts. Word has it that others such as Mad Dog Vachon, Baron Von Raschke, and Ricky Martel would also be open to sharing a corner with Crusher for a quest for the title.

Crusher, who is about as patriotic as any American, can't believe that both Blackwell and Patera would stoop so low as to sell their services to Adnann El Kaissey for money. He takes their

The Crusher has "Sheik" Jerry Blackwell on the ropes.

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The Crusher walks away from a fallen Nick Bockwinkel.

The Crusher may get bloody at times, but he is never beaten.

actions as a slap in the face to the American public. Crusher, who teamed up with Patera many years ago, feels that Ken needs some sense pounded into him to make him see the light.

In the case of Blackwell he feels that he never was any good, not to be trusted. Crusher says that both men just because they now "wear dresses and have a couple of bucks in their pockets think they are top dogs," but that he has a couple of tricks up his sleeve that will soon bring them back to harsh reality.

Two others who are on Crusher's list to clean up Crusher Country are Jesse "The Body" Ventura and Mr. Saito. Here again Crusher and Ventura are old rivals. He admits that Ventura has spent a lot of time in the gym, but feels he is too busy most of the time strutting around like a peacock to be any real serious threat in the ring. In fact Crusher has offered to match the power of his "one thousand megaton arms" against any other strongman.

Crusher and Saito have just recently become bitter enemies. "The Wrestler Who Made Milwaukee Famous" feels that Saito is a throwback to the days when Mitsu Arakawa was on a reign of terror in the A.W.A. It is true that Saito occasionally resorts to some of Mitsu's old tricks such as throwing salt and karate thrusts, but in all fairness he is indeed a superb wrestler, having won a silver medal when representing Japan in the Olympics.

It all boils down to the fact that during his absence all of these men have pretty much had things going their way in the A.W.A., running over opponents, referees, and other wrestling officials. Crusher feels that the A.W.A. is his domain, and he intends to take his turf back by eliminating these dangerous rivals one by one in the ring so that he can once more proudly call the area Crusher Country. His legions of fans feel that he has already done well in this comeback campaign and the majority of them already feel that the A.W.A. is indeed once more Crusher Country.

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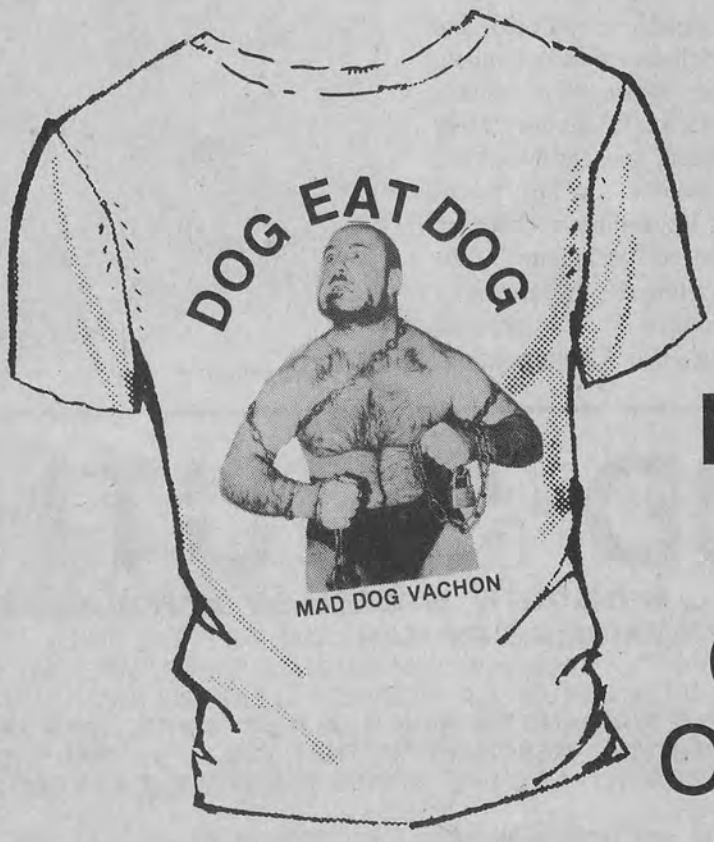

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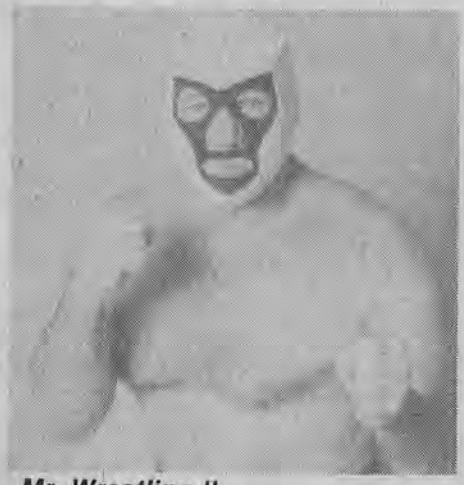
The Junkyard Dog continues to hold the North American Heavyweight Championship and has turned back all challengers. He continues to be the most successful and popular wrestler in the area.

The Mid South Wrestling Association has decided to hold a tournament for their television championship. In elimination matches so far The Junkyard Dog pinned Nikolai Volkoff, Masao Ito defeated Lanny Poffo, and Terry Taylor defeated Buddy Landell. Others in the competition include "Krusher" Darsow, "Magnum" Terry Allen, Butch Reed, and Jim Neidhart.

The real action in the Mid South Area since our last report has been on the tag team scene. "Magnum" T.A. and Mr. Wrestling II defeated Jim Neidhart and Butch Reed to win the Mid South Tag Team Championship.



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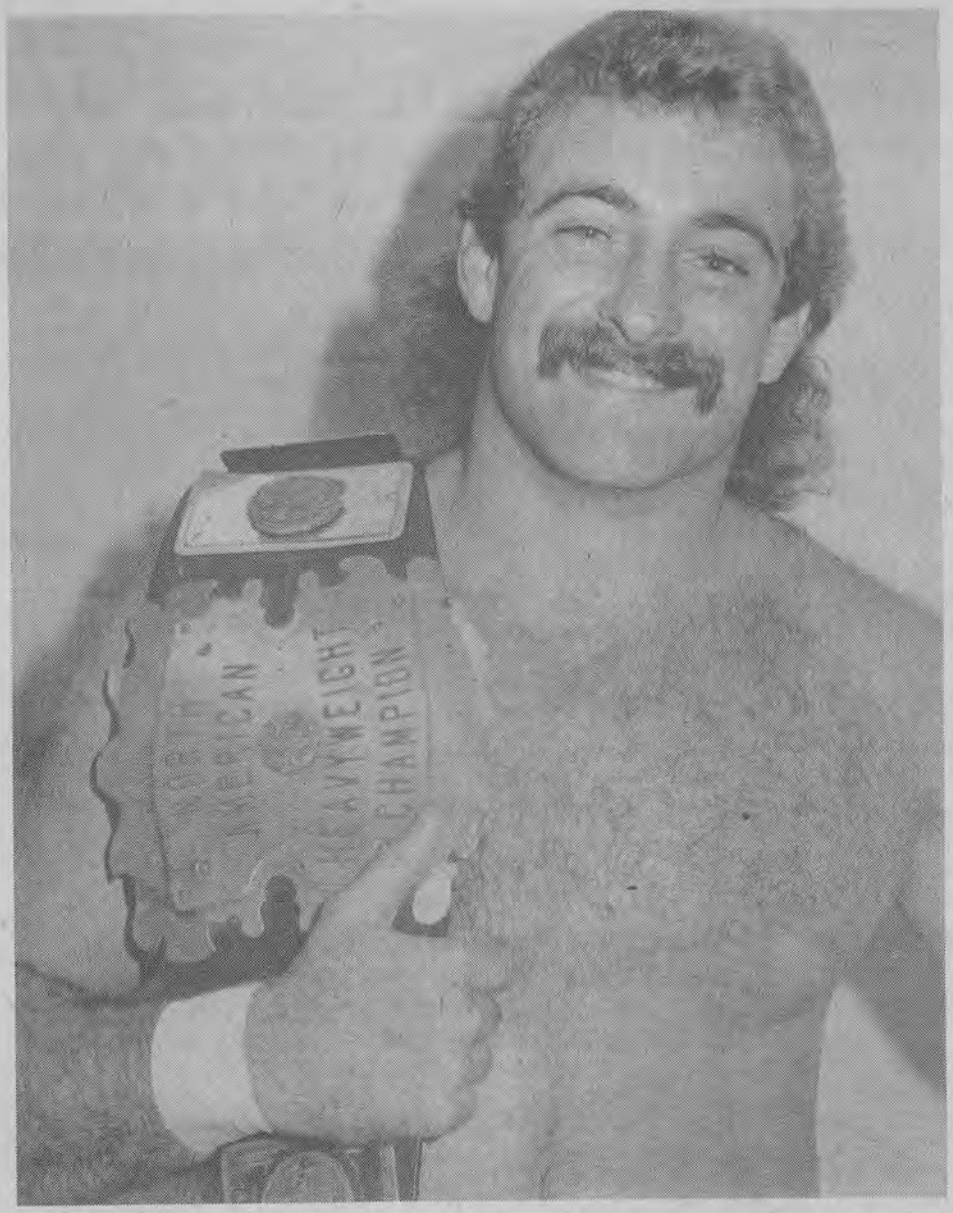

"Magnum" Terry Allen

Since that time Neidhart and Reed, each blaming the other for the defeat, have been involved in a real feud. But, the new champions have not been without any opposition.

Leading competition has been from the team known as The Midnight Express, that of "Beautiful" Bobby Eaton and "Loverboy" Dennis Condry who are managed by Jim Cornette. Other top competition in the tag team ring include the team of Nikolai Volkoff and "Krusher" Darsow, Butch Reed and new partner Buddy Landell, a team known as The Rock & Roll Express (Ricky Morton and Robert Gibson), and The Bruise Brothers (Porkchop Cash and Troy

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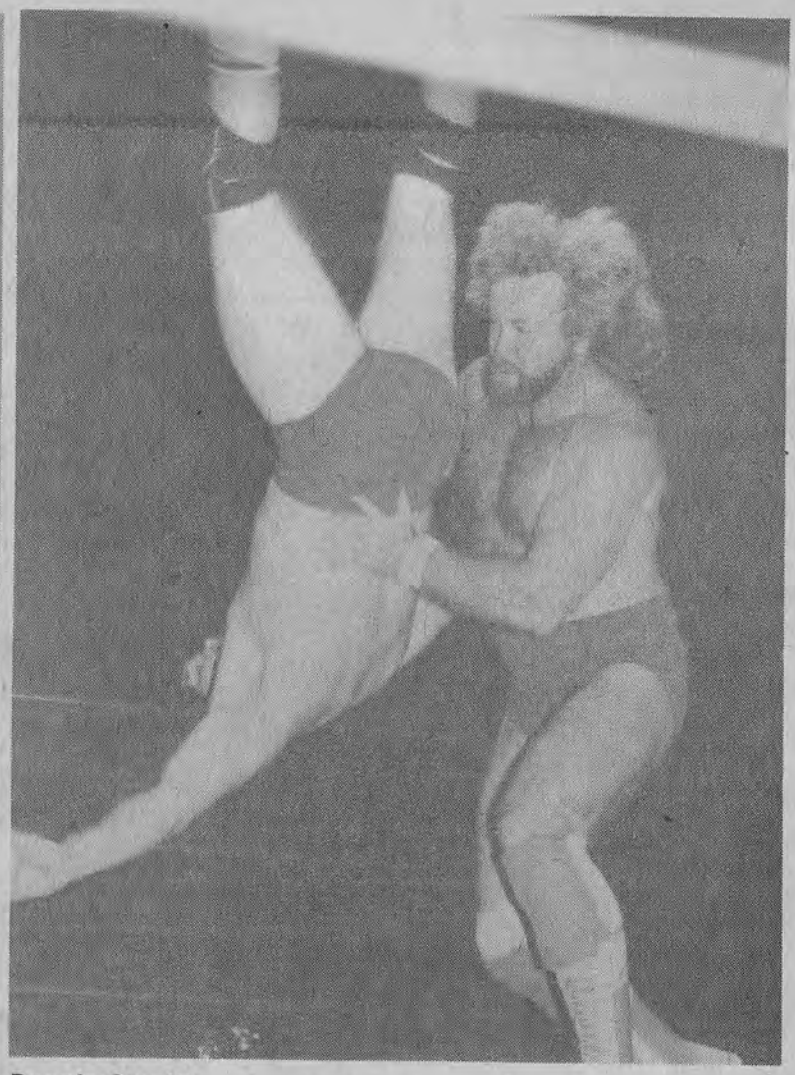

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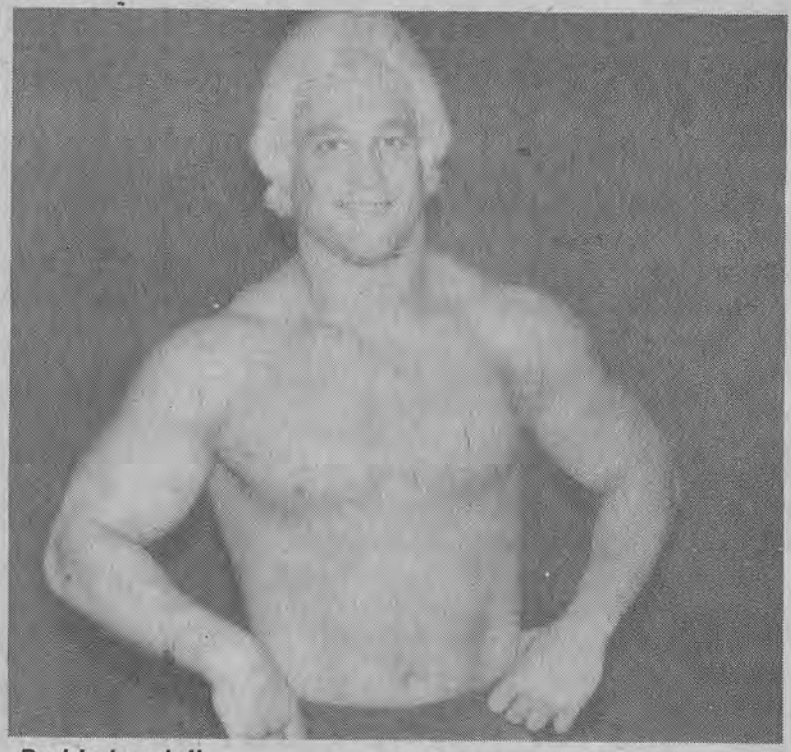

Buddy Landell

Graham). Record crowds continue to turn out for matches throughout the M.S.W.A. with records recently being set in Oklahoma (by promoter Bill Watts), in Houston Texas (by promoters Paul Boesch and Peter Birkholtz), in Louisiana (by promoters Grizzly Smith and Jack Curtis Jr.), and in Mississippi (by promoters George and Gil Culkin).

Other wrestlers not already mentioned who have been active in recent weeks in Mid South wrestling rings include Terry Taylor, John King, Brian Addidas, "Iceman" King Parsons, Tony Torres, Jose Pepe Torres, Black Gordman, Jose Lothario, Buddy Mareno, Larry Higgins, Joe Savoldi, George Weingeroff, Tom Lintz, Jerry Gray, Dale Veasey, Pat Rose, Steve Brinson, Kerry Von Erich, Chris Adams, Terry Garvin, Larry Santana, Tommie Heggie, Kimala, Micky Henry and lady wrestlers Princess Victoria, and Wendy Richter. Carl Fergie has become the chief referee of the Mid South Wrestling Association.

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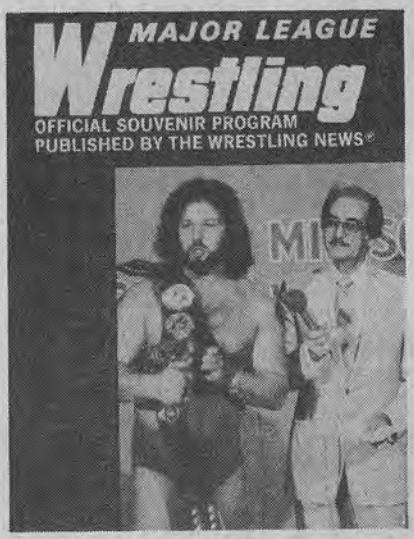

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MID ATLANTIC Wrestling NEWS

SLATER CLAIMS WORLD TITLE

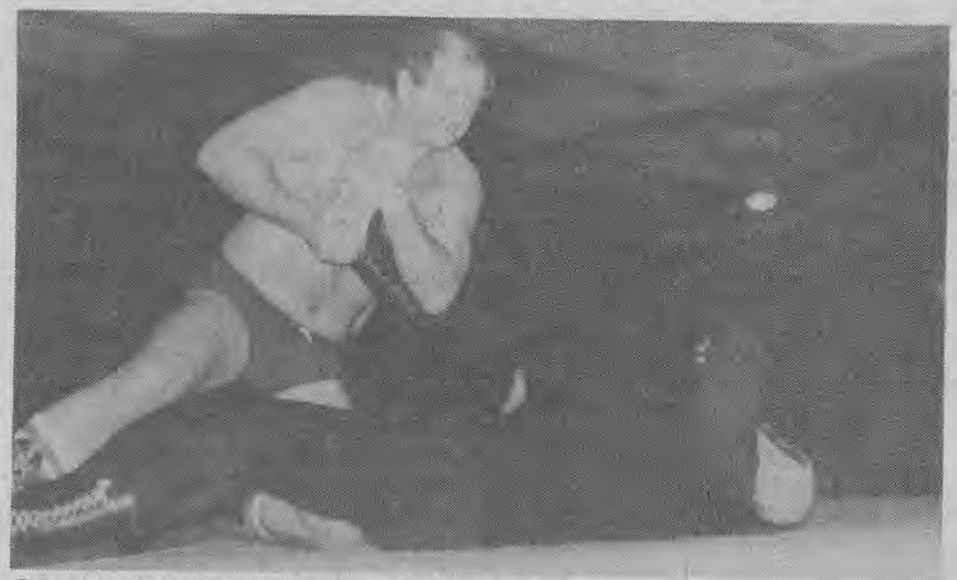
In this section we will take a look at the N.W.A. booking office in Charlotte, North Carolina, headed by promoters Jim and David Crockett that presents cards regularly throughout the Carolinas and Virginia. The big news here is that Dick Slater is now claiming the World's Heavyweight Championship. This is a result of a match that saw him defeat Ric Flair with outside help from Bob Orton Jr. He was first awarded the title, but then officials reviewed the tapes and

Rufus R. Jones headlocks Assassin #1.

saw the outside interference and reversed the decision. Slater then met Flair in a non-title match and Dick pinned the official N.W.A. World's titleholder in that match. Since then Mr. Slater has claimed he is the true champion, although the N.W.A. does not recognize his claim.

Mr. Slater does hold this area's top regional title — the U.S. Heavyweight Championship which he won from Greg Valentine. He subsequently defeated Valentine in several rematches and also turned back the challenge of Wahoo McDaniel.

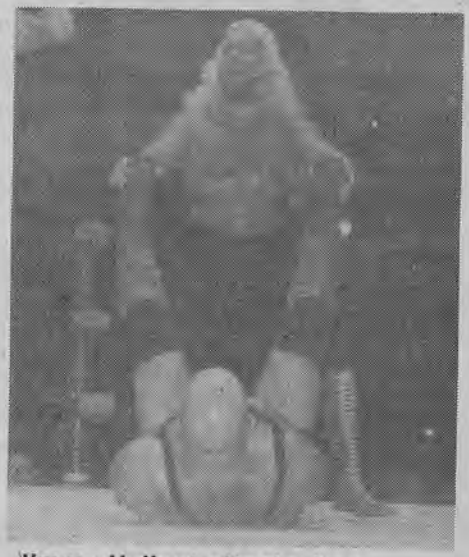
Because of his U.S. title and World claim, Slater gave his Mid Atlantic Heavyweight Championship (the promotion's other title) to Ivan Koloff.



Dory Funk Jr. twists the leg of Assassin #2.

Koloff then lost that title claim to Angelo Mosca Jr. Junior Mosca has retained the Mid Atlantic crown against Koloff in several rematches.

The other area singles title — the Mid Atlantic Television Championship — is vacant at present. It was given up by the masked Charlie Brown (who many said was really Jimmy Valiant, though others have said it was Dusty Rhodes) and a tournament is now in progress to name a new T.V. Champ. So far in this competition: Mark Youngblood defeated Barry Orton,



Jimmy Valiant attacks Ivan Koloff.

The Assassin #2 defeated Johnny Weaver, Dick Slater defeated Dory Funk Jr., and Greg Valentine defeated Ernie Ladd. By our next issue of The Wrestling News we should have complete results of this tournament.

On the tag team scene here, we also had a vacancy when Ricky Steamboat retired and gave up the World's Tag Team Championship title version that he and Jay Youngblood held here. A tournament that was won by the team of Don Kernodle & Bob Orton Jr. who have since defended that title claim against challenges from Angelo Mosca Sr. & Angelo Jr., and from Wahoo McDaniel & Mark Youngblood. As far as we know, Bugsy McGraw & Rufus R. Jones still hold the Mid Atlantic Tag Team Championship although we have no reports at all on this title since the first of the year.

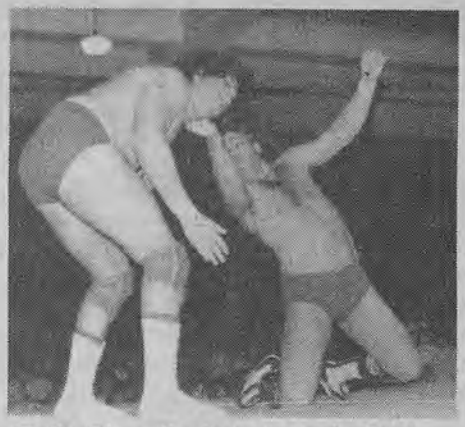
Other wrestlers who have appeared on Mid Atlantic cards during the past two months include The Assassins (managed by Paul Jones), Golden Boy Gray, The Great Kabuki (managed by Gary Hart), Vinnie Valentino, Terry Gibbs, Keith Larson, Steve (Travis) Muslin, Mark Fleming, Tully Blanchard, Ernie Ladd, Baron von Raschke, Bill White, Bret Hart, Gene Anderson, John Bonello, Ali Bey, Bubba Smith, Gary Royal, The Road

Barry Orton armlocks Johnny Weaver.

Warriors, Tim Horner, Hans Schroeder, Ben Alexander, Len Denton, Tony Anthony, and lady wrestlers Donna Christanello and Peggy Patterson. The promoters have announced that they have signed The Junkyard Dog for a series of appearances shortly and that they are trying to get Ricky Steamboat to come out of retirement.

Toronto Report: As per usual we will report on the Toronto booking office, headed by Jack Tunney and Norm Kimber, in the Mid Atlantic section of The Wrestling News. We do this because, even though they hold membership in both the A.W.A. and W.W.F. in addition to the N.W.A., up to now they have booked most of their talent through the Charlotte office. There are reports that this may change shortly. In any case, during the past two months that has been the case.

Angelo Mosca Sr. had a series of matches with "Sergeant" Bob Slaughter that saw Angelo finally triumph and regain the top area title — the Canadian heavyweight Championship from Bob. The most active champ here has been Leo Burke, recognized as North American champ here, who has turned back challenges from Bob Marcus, Tito Santana, Roddy Piper, and Vinnie Valentino. World's Champ Ric Flair turned back another challenge from Harley Race, and lady World's Champ — the Fabulous Moolah defeated Lei Lani Kai. Others who have appeared on cards in Ontario of this promotion during the past two months include Dory Funk Jr., The Assassins (managed by Paul Jones), Jim Valiant, Johnny Weaver, Gary Hart, Baron von Raschke, Billy "Red"



Tully Blanchard uppercuts Bret Hart.

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SPOTLIGHT ON TWO YOUNG STARS IN THE MID ATLANTIC

By Steve Stogdale

VINNIE VALENTINO

Another of the young stars currently wrestling in the Mid-Atlantic area is Vinnie Valentino. He has been competing in the professional ranks for a little over three years. Before turning to the pro ring Vinnie competed in amateur wrestling in college for Florida State, where he also studied marketing and real estate.

Besides competing in the rings of the Mid-Atlantic, Vinnie has also faced opponents in other areas, including Florida in the Mid South area. He credits Buddy Fuller and Eddie Graham with some of his early professional training.

In his career Vinnie has faced many tough opponents. Among the men he has squared off against are such superstars as Dick Slater, Kabuki, The Magic Dragon, Kelly Kiniski, The One Man Gang, and Bill Howard. Vinnie says that he cannot pick one man out of all he has faced as being the toughest because they are all different and each one is tough in his own right.

Vinnie comes from Brooklyn, New York, weighs 225 lbs. and is 6 feet tall. He speaks Italian fluently and is very proud of his Italian heritage.

Vinnie Valentino has excited fans wherever he has appeared and if he keeps going like he is now his name will become world famous as one of the top stars in the professional wrestling world.

MARK FLEMING

Mark Fleming is one of the brightest new stars to appear in the Mid-Atlantic area in quite some time. He has only been wrestling professionally for a year and has already taken the fans here by storm.

Mark comes from Norfolk, Virginia where he wrestled while he was in high school. At 5 ft. 11 in. tall and 225 lbs. Mark has excellent speed in the ring. His favorite maneuvers include the sunset flip, dropkicks, and an incredible cross body block coming off the ropes that has won him many matches. Mark prefers to wrestle in single matches but he will enter a tag team match on occasion.

The list of men who have helped Mark with his professional training reads like a who's who of the stars of the Mid-Atlantic area. Mike Davis, Mike Rotondo, Rick Steamboat, and Don Kernodle are just a few of the men who helped Mark make the switch from amateur to professional.

In the short time he has been wrestling professionally, Mark has faced many rough opponents including Jack Brisco, The Magic Dragon, Kelly Kiniski, and Jerry Brisco. He credits Bruiser Brody with being the toughest opponent he has faced in the squared circle.

Mark Fleming is a young man to keep an eye on. Soon the rest of the wrestling world will find out what the fans of the Mid-Atlantic already know, that Mark Fleming is destined to become a top star in the sport of professional wrestling.

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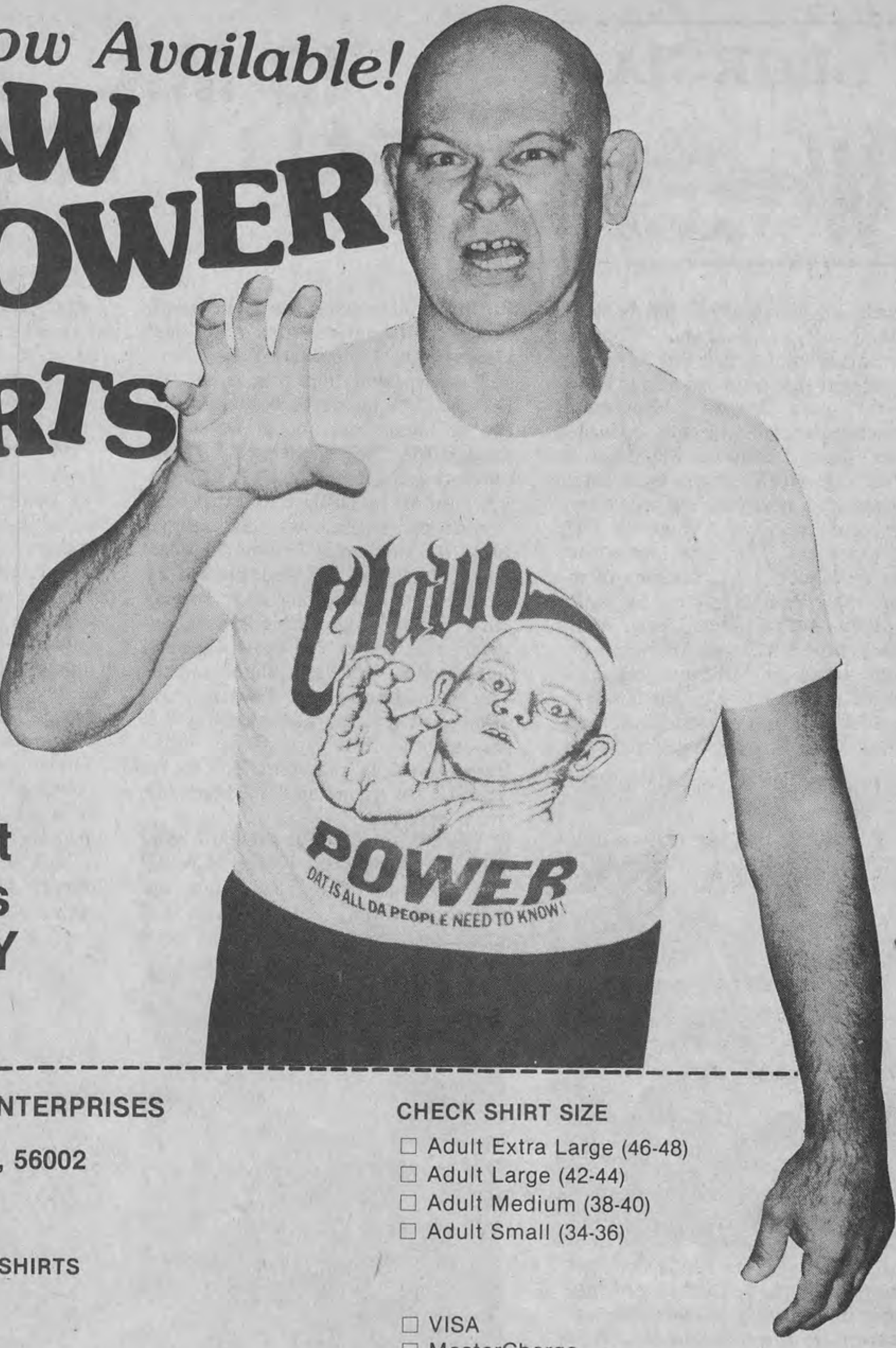

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GEORGIA Wrestling NEWS

IS MR. "R" REALLY TOMMY?

Next we will look at the N.W.A. booking office in Atlanta, Georgia. This organization presents wrestling throughout that state and also in Ohio, West Virginia, Eastern Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and just recently opened a promotion in Baltimore, Maryland, in partnership with Promoter Gary Juster — drawing a near capacity crowd into the Baltimore Civic Center on their first try there. This now means they have responded to the invasion of the towns they promote in Ohio by Junior McMahon & Jim Barnett; by going into Baltimore which has long been one of the towns the McMahon organization was the exclusive one as far as the promotion of pro wrestling was concerned. The Atlanta television program, hosted by Gordon Solie and Ole Anderson, is one of the most widely viewed in the world because it is on the TBS channel that is offered via satellite through many cable systems.

Tommy Rich is no longer seen in Georgia rings, but most feel that most of the time the wrestler appearing as the masked Mr. "R" is really Rich.

World's Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair recently successfully defended his title in Atlanta against the challenge of Brad Armstrong, the area's National Heavyweight Champion. Young Brad had earlier won that title from Ted DiBiase. The match that saw the title change hands was one in which the masked Mr. "R" challenged DiBiase, but during the match Mr. "R's" mask was torn off by DiBiase to reveal Brad Armstrong. DiBiase was certain that Mr. "R" was really Tommy Rich but when Brad was revealed he was so shocked by that, along with Tommy Rich suddenly appearing in the audience that before Ted knew what had happened he had been pinned and the title belonged to Brad. This also gave Brad some revenge for the beating that his father — Bob Armstrong — had earlier received that sent Bob to the hospital for a time and still keeps him from wrestling.

World's Junior Heavyweight Champion (as recognized by the N.W.A.) Les Thornton has also made appearances throughout the area. His most persistent challenger has been Tommy Rogers — who has beaten him in several non-title matches; but who has yet to come up with a title winning victory when the crown has been on the line, although many think that it is just a matter of time.

Bob Roop

The Road Warriors (Animal & Hawk) still hold the area's National Tag Team Championship — we should say again because they lost the title to brothers Brett (Wayne) and Buzz Sawyer in Canton, Ohio, but then the Warriors regained it in a rematch. Animal & Hawk have since defended it against several top combinations including Pistol Pez Whatley & The Masked Sweet Brown Sugar, Stan Hansen & King Kong Bundy, and Wahoo McDaniel & Jay Youngblood.

In a big tag team tournament held in Cleveland, Ohio, The Warriors entered but were not successful as the tournament was won by the Brisco Brothers — Jack and Jerry. Other teams in that tourney included Brad Armstrong & Johnny Rich, King Kong Bundy & Bob Roop, Jimmy Valiant & Jerry Lawler, The Sawyer Brothers, and Dusty Rhodes & Pez Whatley.

Ole Anderson

The other area title — now called the World's Television Championship —

Ronnie Garvin

continues to be held by Jake "The Snake" Roberts, who continues to be challenged at every opportunity by former T.V. champion Ron Garvin. Roberts is one of the members of "The Legion of Doom" which is what Paul Ellering calls the stable of wrestlers that he manages that also includes The Road Warriors, The Masked Spoiler, and for short times during the past two months has also included Sheik Farhat, Joe LeDuc, and Killer Karl Krupp, though none of these last three stayed in the area for long.

Others who made appearances on cards promoted by Georgia Championship Wrestling Inc. during the past two months include Randy Barber, Roger Bond, Mike Jackson, Paul Garner, Pat Rose, Mike Starbuck, Greg Kaslov, Ted Allen, Cy Jernigan, Chic Donovan, Big Red, Mark Hill, Zane Smith, Terry Ellis, Joshua Stroud, Dale Veasey, Joe Turner, Larry Santana, Snake Brown, Bruno Sammartino Jr., Larry Zbyszko, and Nikolai Volkoff.

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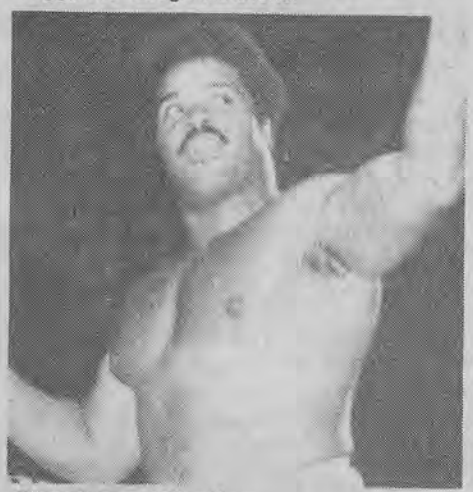

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SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARMSTRONGS

By Dyane Kirkland

Ask any wrestling fan in the country if they've heard of the Armstrongs, and you'll probably get a rousing "Whatever happened to ol' Bob Armstrong? I haven't seen him on TV lately!" The fact is, Bob has been busy in the Southeast, carving out a name for himself and his family in the arenas of North Florida, and Alabama, with occasional appearances in Georgia. And what's he so busy doing, you might ask? I wondered myself when I first went to Dothan, Alabama nearly a year ago.

Bob was, at that time, embroiled in a feud with his one-time friends, Ron and Robert Fuller, over a title shot that Bob, as Southeastern Heavyweight Champion should have had against then NWA World Heavyweight Champ Ric Flair. Ron Fuller got the match with Flair, and blamed Bob (who was the special referee) for his loss of the match. Over the months, fans watched horrified as their favorite Southern gentleman turned into a feared rule-breaker, retiring both Fullers from the ring, and wreaking havoc among the fan favorites of the Southeast. Even Bob's son Brad, the area Rookie of the year and acclaimed in his own right as a future champion, was shocked at the turn of events.

Over the weeks and months, Brad tried, to no avail, to make his father understand that he was betraying all of the values he had so carefully taught his son. Finding it impossible to work with his father, Brad went to work in Tampa, Florida, and soon established himself as half of a champion tag-team combination with Terry Allen, but the changes in his father preyed heavily upon his mind. And he had other cause to worry, as well. Brad's older brother Scott, had been training for some time to enter the ring. What would their dad's behavior do to Scott's hoped-for career? Brad left Tampa and returned to the Alabama promotion, determined to help Scott if he could. In a surprise turn of events, it was Scott who helped his younger brother!

During a match in Montgomery, Alabama, the infamous Midnight Express interfered in Brad's match, tying the young Armstrong up in the ring ropes. From out of nowhere, Scott charged the ring, scattering the Express, freeing his brother and making it known that they were a team that wouldn't stand for being bullied. The next Saturday, Scott officially began his pro wrestling career under the watchful eye of his "veteran" brother,

Brad and Scott Armstrong. (Photo by Dyane Kirkland)

Brad. It took less than 2 months for the young men to establish themselves with some respect in the Southeastern sector. And then, another incident took place that may have changed the course of wrestling.

During a TV broadcast from Dothan, Alabama, Bob Armstrong was attacked by the Midnight Express, on camera, for disagreeing with some of their tactics. The tension mounted as Bob tried to hold his ground in the melee, even though he was severely outnumbered. Again, without warning, Scott — with brother Brad — appeared on the scene, wielding a kendo stick with deadly effect against their dad's antagonists. Once the Midnight Express was sent running, a somewhat awkward moment turned into a happy family reunion. Bob, admitting that he'd let frustration and bitterness get the better of him, took a lesson from the love of his sons, and publicly asked to be forgiven for his past actions.

The last few months haven't been easy for the three men, but they all seem much happier now. Bob, again, the reigning Southeastern Heavyweight Champion, stands proudly with his "boys," who are the Southeastern Tag-Team Champions, and admits that he's got more now than he ever thought he would have.

"They say you can't teach an old dog new tricks," Bob says, "but I'd have to disagree. We've **all** learned a lesson about respecting each other's rights to be individuals. I raised each of my sons to be his own man, not a carbon copy of Bob Armstrong. We've gained a lot of respect and love for each other over the last months. And now, I'm rich. I'm not talking about money — that doesn't mean anything. I'm rich in my family, in my work — I've got it **all**!"

The older Armstrong, in fact, recently won a $20,000 Chrysler in Dothan — lasting 5 rounds in a 20-man elimination tournament, and his popularity is now equal to — or very possibly better than — what it was before the incident that made him a rule-breaker. He is holding onto that Southeastern title, and looking forward to an upcoming match with NWA World Heavyweight Champion, Ric Flair, despite some heavy opposition from Jos LeDuc. (Bob maintains that Flair is behind LeDuc's attempt to remove him from contention — Armstrong has beaten Flair in the past in non-title matches, and Flair wants Armstrong removed from contention.)

The younger Armstrongs, no less hardworking or ambitious, compliment each other very well, in the ring and out. From seeing them work, and seeing them away from work, you can see that they've always been close to each other. Just ask them about each other:

"Scottie's a great person," Brad says. "He's a fine wrestler, and he's going to go a long, long way! Right to the top!"

"Don't know what I'd do without Brad," Scott admits. "He's there when I need his help; I can always trust him. He's the best there is. What more can you ask for, in a partner or a brother?"

What more, indeed. And the future? Well, 6-man tag teams are big news, with teams like the Von Erichs, the Freebirds, the Midnight Express — and now, you guessed it! — The Armstrongs. Although the 3-man team is not their most frequent style of match — their title defenses being the most frequent — all three men seem to enjoy it, and the similarities in their styles make them an exciting 3-some to watch.

Where it will lead, no one can say — wrestling is an uncertain business at best. They may work as a 3-man team, or as pairs and inviduals in varying combinations in the future. But for now, there are 3 happy men in the Southeastern area, and they're blazing a trail that will be tough for anyone to follow.

And, **if** you're wondering, Bob **does** have 2 more sons. Are they interested in wrestling, you ask? Bob only smiles when you ask him. I think we may just have to wait and see.

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C.W.A. Wrestling NEWS

LAWLER CHALLENGES BOCKWINKEL

The Continental Wrestling Association, headed by promoter Jerry Jarrett, presents cards regularly in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Indiana. This promotion holds membership in both the A.W.A. and the N.W.A., but has had more A.W.A. World's title matches in recent times.

Nick Bockwinkel (before he lost the A.W.A. World's Heavyweight Championship to Jumbo Tsuruta) defended his title several times early in the year against the challenge of Jerry "The King" Lawler who came very close to winning the belt.

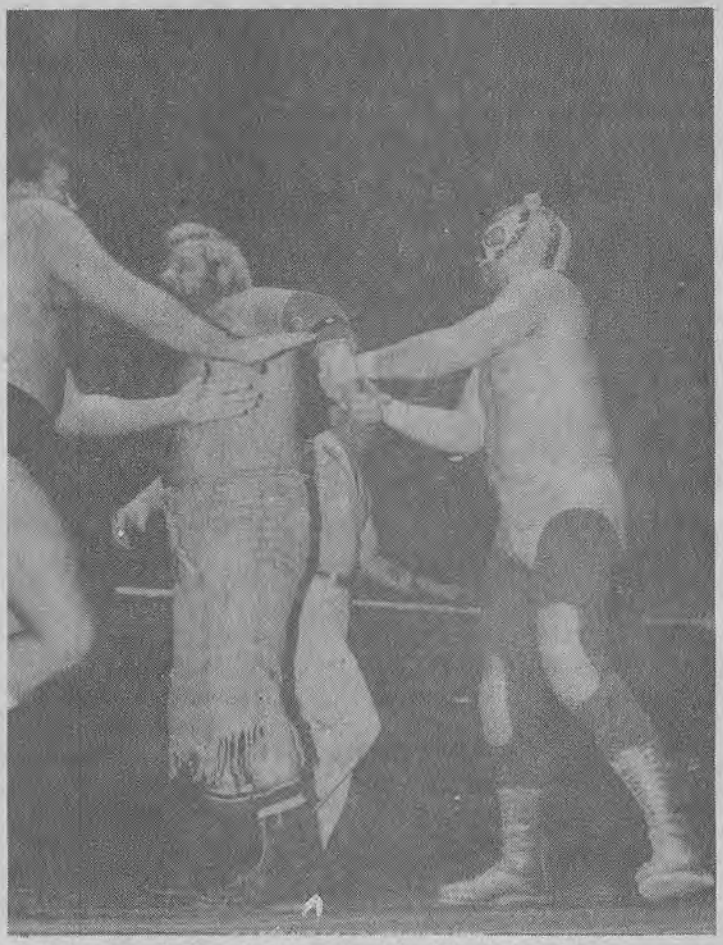
The A.W.A. World's Tag Team Champions — Ken Patera and Jerry Blackwell — made several appearances in the area as well. They turned back challenges from The Rock & Roll Express (Ricky Morton & Robert Gibson) and from the team of Jerry Lawler and Austin Idol.

The top two area titles continued to be held by Austin Idol (C.W.A. International Heavyweight Championship) and Jerry Lawler (A.W.A. Southern Heavyweight Championship). Idol recently defended against Wild Man Sabu, while Lawler recently turned back the challenge of Killer Karl Krupp.

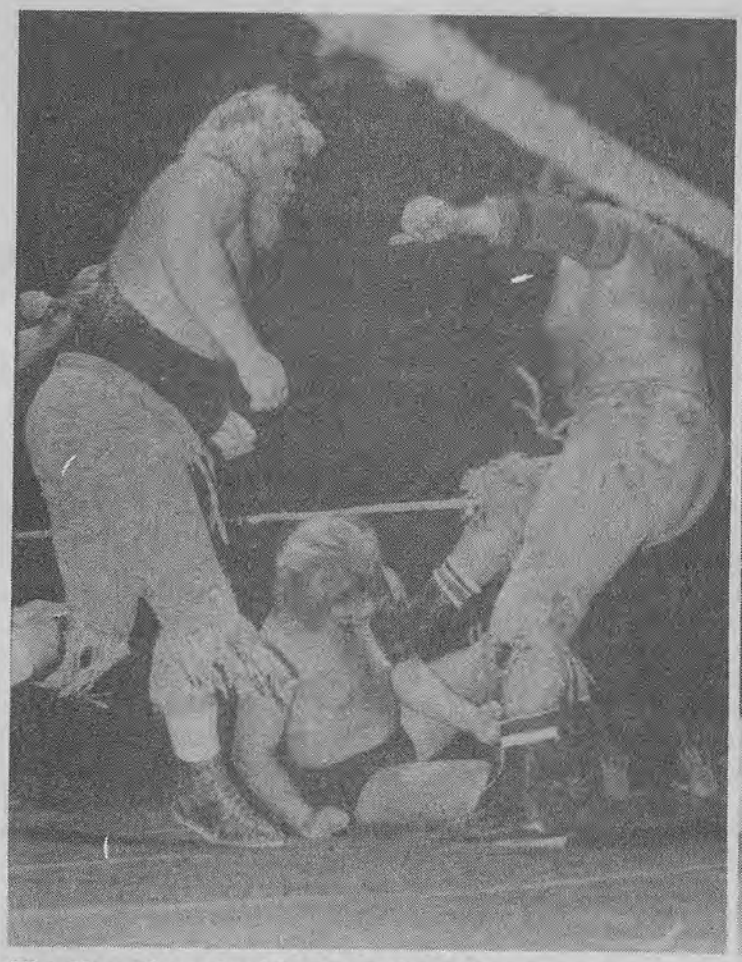
The other area championship — the Mid American title — was captured by Randy Savage (Poffo), who is managed here by his father Angelo Poffo, from Terry Taylor. We have not heard any reports so far this year on the C.W.A. Junior Heavyweight Championship which was held by Bill Dundee when he lost a loser leave the area match to Steve Keirn. When Dundee left so did the title.

On the tag team scene, the C.W.A. World's Tag Team Championship is still held by Austin Idol & Dutch Mantell. The other area tag title — the A.W.A. Southern Tag Team Cham-

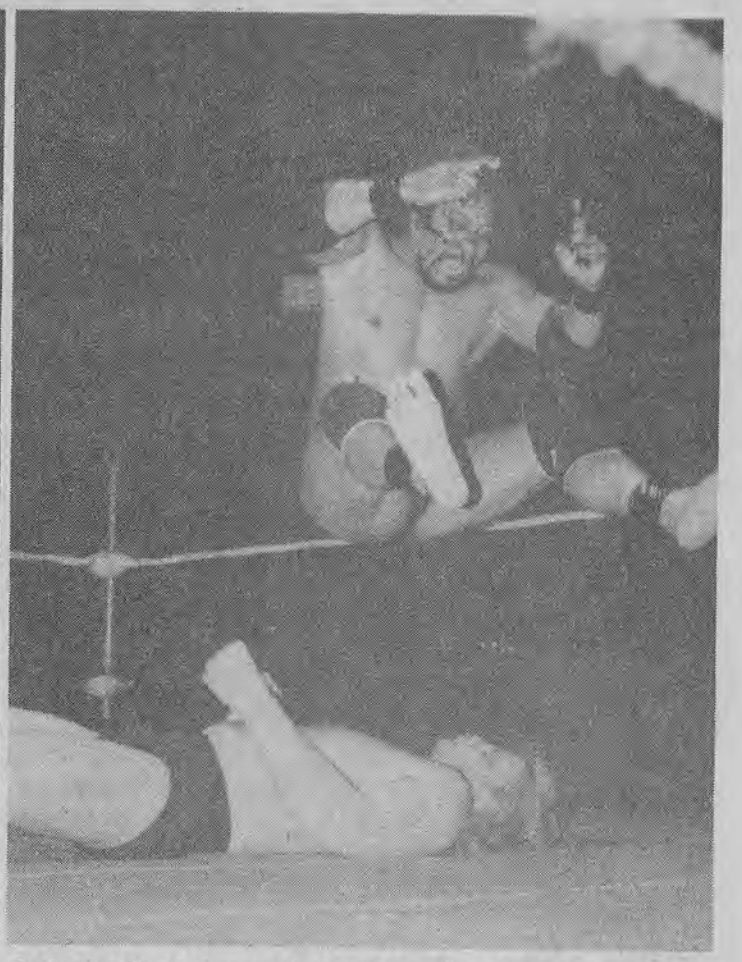
Jerry Gray whips Moondog Spot across the ring.



Art Crews & The Jaguar double Moondog Rex.



The Moondogs double up on Jerry Gray.



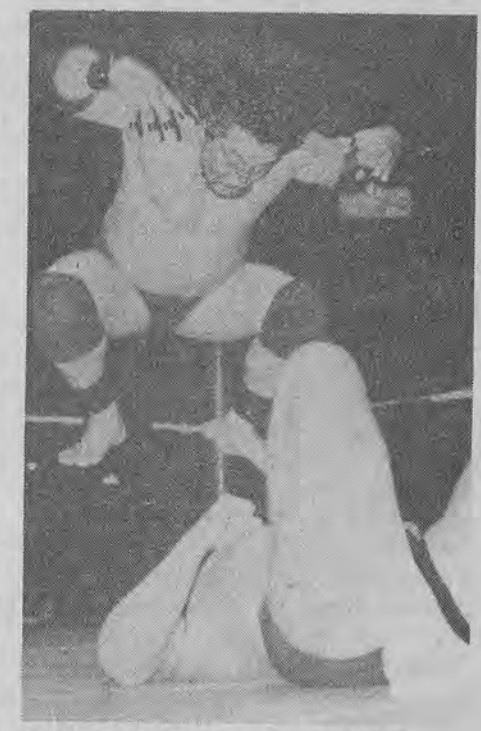
Sabu is about to crash down on Jerry Gray.

pionship was stripped from the Fabulous Ones (Steve Keirn & Stan Lane) when they failed to appear for a scheduled match due to travel problems. A tournament was held that featured the following teams: Randy Savage & Angelo Poffo, Dutch Mantell & Tommy Gilbert, The Rock & Roll Express, King Konga & Joe Leduc, Karl Krupp & Sabu, The A-Team, The Bruise Brothers (Pork Chop Cash & Troy Graham), Stagger Lee & Bobby Fulton, The Fabulous Ones, Rick Rood & Terry Gibbs, Lawler & Idol, the Road Warriors (Animal & Hawk), and The Zambui Express (Elija Akeem & Kareem Muhammad). The Zambui Express won the title in the tournament, but then lost it to the team of Norvell and Austin & Stagger Lee (who is masked and said by many to be Koko Ware).

Incidentally, J.J. Dillon has replaced Jimmy Hart as the top manager in the area. Dillon's stable here includes The Zambui Express, and King Konga. Hart's organization has been depleted as The Grapplers, The Moondogs, The A-Team, and others in his stable have left the area, but Jimmy vows to get back on top.

Others not already mentioned who appeared on C.W.A. cards during the past month include Jerry Gray, Art Crews, The Jaguar, Plowboy Frazier, and Mr. Ebony.

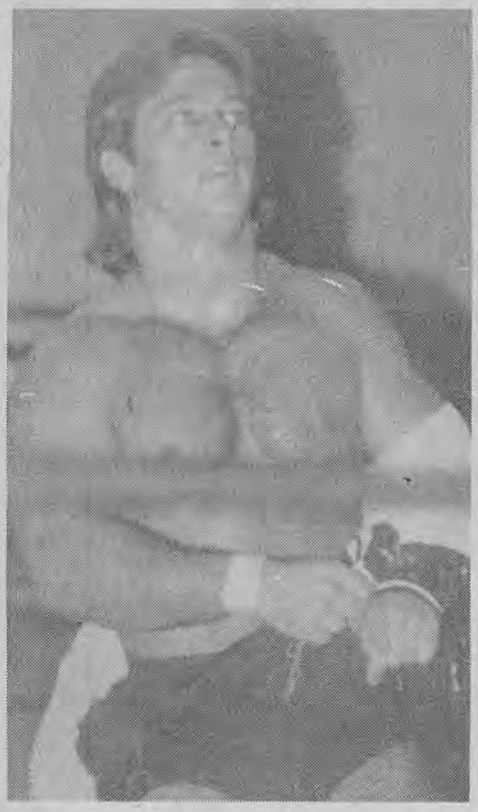
REPORTERS: Pat Malone, Chuck Morris, Troy Rigg, Joe Kennedy, and William L. Burnett. Our special thanks to Joe Kennedy whose photos of a six man tag match (Sabu & The Moondogs vs. The Jaguar-Art Crews-Jerry Gray) appear with this article.



Sabu pounces on a dazed Art Crews for the winning pin.

SPOTLIGHT ON TOMMY ROGERS

By Butch Whitehead



Tommy Rogers came to the CWA area in September of 1983 from the Southeastern area in Alabama. With him he brought the United States Junior Heavyweight Championship that he won from Bill Ash in Alabama. He successfully defended the belt against all comers, including: "King" Carl Fergie, Buddy Landell, Frankie Lane. There was only one person that gave him any trouble, and that was Koko Ware. Koko went on to defeat Tommy for the Belt on October 10, 1983 and held it for one week before losing it back to the former champion, Tommy Rogers on October 17, 1983. Both matches took place in the Mid-South Coliseum, in Memphis, Tennessee. Then exactly twenty-eight days after regaining the title, he was defeated by the "Superstar" Bill Dundee in Memphis on November 14, 1983.

There was a certain quality about Tommy Rogers that everybody seemed to like. Even Jimmy Hart was impressed with the ability of the young Rogers. Hart offered to be the manager for Rogers, but Tommy wanted no part of Jimmy Hart.

Since losing the belt to Dundee, Tommy has been wrestling in Atlanta, Georgia for World Championship Wrestling. Since going there, Tommy has continued his winning ways inside the squared circle. In a situation that took place at the Omni in Atlanta, Tommy was wrestling the four time NWA World Jr. Heavyweight champion, Les Thornton in a title match. Rogers had Thornton in a position where the pin was possible, but the referee was knocked down, so Ole Anderson jumped up in the ring and gave the three count. The referee upheld the decision and Thornton was allowed to retain his title. Then on world Championship Wrestling out of Atlanta, Thornton wanted to prove to everybody that he could pin Tommy Rogers, so he challenged Rogers to a match on television and Tommy eagerly accepted. It was a great scientific match, with the exceptions of a few fists thrown by each participant when their tempers flared. I think Thornton was disgusted because he couldn't pin Rogers. Everytime he tried something, Tommy would counter. Thornton set Rogers up for a deep double underhook and took him over, but before Les Thornton could roll onto Rogers, Tommy was able to cover Thornton for the pin and the victory. Thornton was so upset after the bout that he told announcer Gordon Solie that Rogers would never get another chance to wrestle him.

Tommy Rogers comes from Tampa, Florida. He was born on May 4, 1961, and as you can see from the photographs, he keeps himself in top physical condition, and at only twenty-two years old, Tommy has one of the brightest futures ahead of him.

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PACIFIC Wrestling NEWS

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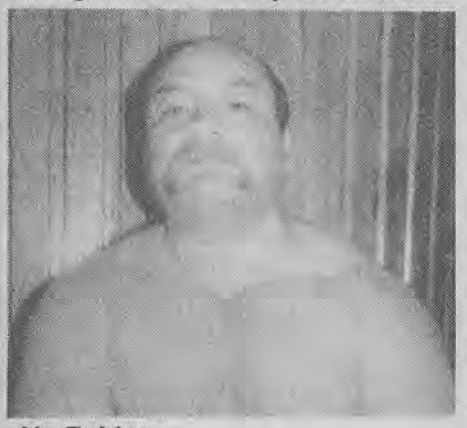
In this section of The Wrestling News we will attempt to cover the professional wrestling held in the Pacific Islands and Australia. Outside of New Zealand we have a difficult time getting complete information and would appreciate any help that anyone can give us.

New Zealand: We will start off this section by sharing in total a report received from Dave Cameron, who writes:

New Zealand wrestling gets underway shortly when N.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair makes his second visit to the shakey isles. One of his opponents here will be none other than Harley Race, the seven times former champion. New Zealand fans are looking forward to seeing both these great stars — they are scheduled



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to appear in Christchurch, in Wellington, and in Auckland. New Zealand promoter Steve Rickard is also promoting World's title bouts in Singapore and Hong Kong.

Also coming into New Zealand are Jerry Morrow, "Moondog" Ed Moretti, brothers Bruce & Keith Hart, and our own Luke Williams (one of the Sheepherders) is scheduled to return home after a long absence in American and Canadian rings. Also in action will be Ricky Rickard who has been out for a couple of years following an accident. Ricky is a promising young wrestler who will go a long way in the sport.

New Zealand fans who have followed wrestling for many years will see a familiar face this year when Paul Boesch revisits his second favorite country (of course America is his No. 1). Paul has planned a visit for many years and now plans to be here next month.

New Zealand fans were saddened by the death of all time great Earl McCready in December. Earl was a household name in New Zealand before the war and after. He first came here in 1935 and is still well remembered by his many fans. He didn't come here in 1938. Instead he went to South Africa to challenge Johan Van Der Walt who also had a claim to the British Empire crown. Then he went to England, and at the Royal Albert Hall in London he beat Rube Wright in the first televised wrestling bout in British wrestling history.

When I attended my first wrestling match in 1946 Earl was one of the contestants. The other was George Pencheff who incidentally is still alive and lives in Australia. Earl was the greatest wrestler I ever had the pleasure of watching — a master of every hold in the book.

So ends Dave's report. New Zealand has gone through a slow season but now is becoming very active so we hope to have a lot more news from there in our next issue. We understand that the titles recognized by the N.W.A. promotion in New Zealand remain the same as they were reported in our last issue — Steve Rickard (British Empire Heavyweight), Rip Morgan (New Zealand Heavyweight), Larry O'Day (New Zealand Television), and Larry O'Day & King Ripper Collins (New Zealand Tag Team).

Australia: I'll share with you the latest report on wrestling in this country from Colin M. Purssey who writes:

George Jilio still holds the Victorian Heavyweight Championship. There have been no successful challenges and he has recently turned back both Mad Dog Roy and Mad Dog Spence. The highlight of Promoter George Baker's recent program here in Melbourne was Jilio's title defense against Mad Dog Roy. Despite the contender's reputation for cunning and ferocity, he surprisingly adopted legitimate tactics for most of the match, resorting to his traditional misbehavior only in the latter stages of the affair, after apparent frustration. All this, however, was to no avail as Jilio dramatically ended the main event with a towering suplex, dashing the hopes of acclaim for the rangy aspirant.

Mad Dog Spence clobbers Mick Astaire outside the ring.

An exciting support match on the same card featured Con Iakividis and The Masked Assassin, who looked particularly menacing with his bizarre mask and some 325 pounds of bulk. Although conceding this lumbering giant about 100 pounds, Iakividis was able to wrestle to a draw when the alloted time for the event elapsed.

Professor G.E. Challenger appeared on the program, having recently

Lu Leota

returned from a series of engagements in Sydney where he wrestled on Promoter Roy Heffernan's cards. American readers will remember Roy as part of the original legendary Fabulous Kangaroos tag team. Roy is now successfully promoting in Sydney. Among the wrestlers active in that city are Jack Claybourne Jr., George Barnes, and Ron Miller.

The Professor, who boasts of an Ox-

Coconut Willie

ford education, was pitted against the urbane Gentleman Murray Morgan on the Melbourne progam. The 230 pound scholar dominated the match with a sustained onslaught against Morgan. Ironically, Morgan was disqualified, when after suffering repeated indignities at the hands of the Professor, he went berserk and refused to release a choke hold.

Another support match saw Mad Dog Spence at 228 pounds pounds confront the inexperienced yet determined 210 pound Mick Astair. Spence characteristically jumped his unsuspecting opponent before the bell and from then on the event degenerated into a slugging session. The referee, Stacks Taylor, being unable to restore order, counted both men out when the action spilled out onto the arena floor.

Frank Slade is in hard training and intends to resume regular campaigning while popular third man, Roy Spaniel, will be absent from the area due to an extended overseas trip. Others active recently in Australian rings include Little George, and Freddy Baldechino.

So ends the report from Mr. Purssey for which we are very grateful. We understand from other sources that McMahon Jr. and Jim Barnett plan to start a promotion in Australia. Back in the 1960's Johnny Doyle brought major wrestlers to Australia on a regular basis and Barnett was his assistant. After Doyle died, Barnett attempted to continue the promotion for a time but eventually left the country after selling the promotion to Anthony Kolonie who a short time later folded it. Since then pro wrestling in Australia has continued on a more limited basis, with not too many major stars from other areas coming in. However, some of these smaller promotions like the ones mentioned in this report have continued to expand. It will be very interesting to see what happens if the McMahon-Barnett promotion attempts to move into this country.

Hawaii: Our information on the Polynesian Pro Wrestling Promotion that holds membership in the N.W.A. and is headed by Promoter Lia Maivia is rather incomplete. We know that they continue to present cards in the Hawaiian Islands and that Jay Youngblood recently wrestled to a draw against Superfly Tui in a Honolulu main event. We also understand that Superfly Tui & The Super Samoan #1 won the area tag team championship from Farmer Boy Ipo & LeRoy Brown (not the same wrestler by that name active in the mainland states), and that the two singles titles continue to be held by Lars Anderson (Polynesian Heavyweight) and by Junior Maivia (Pacific Heavyweight) and that other grapplers active here recently include The Mighty Milo, King Ripper Collins, Bruiser Stevens, Ali Pasha, and Charles Buffong. We ask that anyone who can provide us with more complete information on this area (or for that matter on any other area) write us at P.O. Box 3325, Mankato, Minnesota 56002.

Prof. Challenger punishes Murray Morgan.

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NORTHWEST Wrestling NEWS

In this section we will look at the N.W.A. booking office in Portland, Oregon, headed by Don Owens and his son Barry. This promotion presents cards throughout Oregon and in western Washington.

Rip Oliver continues to hold the Pacific Northwest Heavyweight Championship. Curt Hennig & Pat McGhee defeated The Dynamite Kid & The Assassin to win the Pacific Northwest Tag Team Championship.

Other wrestlers who have appeared on cards of this promotion during the past two months include Jerry "O", Mike Miller, Chief Tapu, The Great Tio, Jimmy (Siva) Afi, Matt Borne, Tom Prichard, Buddy Rose, Steve Pardee, Jules Strongbow, and Doug Somers.

REPORTERS: Linda Churchill, Kate Mast, Mack Scott, and Mary Branch.

HENNIG & McGHEE TAG CHAMPS

The Dynamite Kid, Rip Oliver, and The Assassin.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE DYNAMITE KID

By Linda Churchill & Kate Mast

In June of 1983, we heard Buddy Rose make this announcement on TV.

BR: I found myself a partner! I found myself one of the greatest wrestlers in professional wrestling. His name is Dynamite Kid. Now, Dynamite Kid didn't get the name Dynamite for nothing! All you got to do is light his fuse and let him go and this guy explodes. I'll tell you, it cost me a lot of money!"

As it turned out, Buddy was both right and wrong. Dynamite is one of the greatest in pro wrestling and he did cost Rose a lot of money. But they didn't end up as partners, in fact, they ended up in one bitter feud! (Wrestling Revue #107).

We asked Dynamite Kid for his side of the story.

DK: I was in Japan with Buddy Rose the last time I was there and he asked me to come to Portland straight from Japan. I was booked into Calgary so I couldn't do that. I said what's the deal? He said he'd give me so much money to be his tag partner.

KL: How much?

DK: A few thousand. (It was reported to be $15,000.) At the same time, I knew Oliver from the last year and he contacted me too, in Calgary. So I thought if I play it right I'll have a double payoff.

KL: So you came in here planning to double-cross Rose?

DK: Yeah. I knew all along what I was going to do. I made a double payoff. That's OK, right?! Buddy's just a big fat pig anyway, right? He can't wrestle, you know.

KL: Obviously you don't think much of Buddy Rose.

DK: I don't think nothing of Buddy. He did good in Japan. Won a lot of tag matches.

KL: Who was his partner?

DK: Me!!

KL: So he only did good because you were his partner?

DK: Yes! You can put that in the magazine too!

KL: What is your ring philosophy, your ring style?

DK: You've got to go in there to win. I'm just an aggressive wrestler. I've always wrestled the way I do now, more or less. Sometimes a little bit more aggressively, but I've always had the same style. Aggressive!

The Dynamite Kid (Tommy Billington) was born in Manchester, England on December 5, 1958. He didn't go to the pro matches as a boy, but discovered wrestling at 13 when he met a retired wrestler who took Tommy to a gym and trained him seven days a week for the next three years.

His first pro match was in July, 1975. He was only 16 and about 110 lbs. (Remember, English wrestling is done in weight classes.)

KL: What did your family and friends think?

DK: I never asked them. My father took me to all the wrestling matches for the first twelve months. I had no driving license then.

Tommy wrestled for the next three years in England and then five years in Calgary, Canada, broken by tours of Japan, Germany, the Middle East, New York, and the West Indies.

During this time he built his size to his current 5' 10" 220 lbs. and his natural aggressiveness coupled with his growing experience won him several titles. He's held the British Lightweight Title, the British Welterweight title, British European Belt and the Canadian International Tag Team Belts with a couple of different partners. In 1979 he won the British Commonwealth Belt from Norman Fredrich Charles III, the former Kangaroo.

KL: What was your involvement with Japan's Tiger Mask and the NWA Junior Heavyweight Belt?

DK: I took the belt but I never beat him for it. Kept it for a few days then I had to give it back.

KL: We hear that you injured Tiger Mask's neck over that belt?

DK: I almost broke it with a piledriver! I asked him for a championship match. It was a double count out, I did it outside on the floor. I don't know if it was cement or wood.

KL: So you injured him on purpose after the match was over?

DK: Yes!

Soon after his arrival in the Northwest, Dynamite Kid won the Pacific Northwest Heavyweight Championship from Curt Hennig. As Oliver and the Assassin were holding the Tag Belts, the Clan bragged of being the "best in the west."

On Sept. 28 in Salem, Oregon, Billy Jack won the belt from the Kid in what Dynamite claims was an unfair ruling.

DK: I back suplexed Billy Jack. It was a German suplex and I bridged. The referee went 1-2-3."

The Kid thought the referee was counting on Billy Jack and was stunned to see the belt given to his opponent!

Meanwhile, on November 4 the team of Buddy Rose and Curt Hennig won the Tag Belts from Oliver and the Assassin, but their reign was short, as the Dynamite Kid and Assassin teamed up and won them on November 12. After this match the Clan triple teamed Hennig who was sidelined for several weeks with a badly injured shoulder.

KL: Are you going to stay with the Clan?

DK: I'll stay with them right now. We've got things together again."

KL: Have you ever had any serious injuries?

DK: Two cartilage removed in the knees, torn ligaments, separated shoulder, broken knuckles, broken foot.

KL: What's your training schedule like?

DK: I train everyday in the gymnasium. Free weights. I used to run a lot, but I don't run no more, my knees are too bad. Stretch exercises. I'm not a body builder. I just work out to keep in condition, keep in shape.

KL: What are your greatest assets? your speed, your agility?

DK: You said it!

KL: Is the life of a wrestler what you thought it would be?

DK: I never thought about what it would be like. I just thought I'd make a few dollars and make a living and then retire.

KL: How do you feel about the fans?

DK: I can take them or leave them. I just want to get in the ring, wrestle and get out of the ring.

KL: Whom do you consider good competition in this area?

DK: Billy Jack will be a good wrestler. He's strong, but he doesn't have a wrestling brain right now. Maybe a year or two, when he's got a lot more experience. He's big, he looks good, he's strong and in good condition. Someone who's underestimated in this territory is Afi (Siva Afi). He's a good wrestler!

KL: What are your goals?

DK: To make thousands and thousands of dollars and then retire!!

When he retires, Tommy Billington, AKA Dynamite Kid, and his wife intend to raise dogs. In particular, Bull Mastiffs! The old saying that people resemble their pets holds true here as Billington's own impressive upper body, aggressiveness, strength, single-mindedness and tenacity are reflected in the temperament and massive structure of the dogs he owns!

On December 25, Dynamite Kid and the Assassin lost their belts in Seattle to Curt Hennig and Pat McGee. Then on New Year's Eve 1983, Dynamite was carried from the ring on a stretcher due to injuries inflicted by Hennig.

Sidelined indefinitely, Tommy Billington still shouldn't be underestimated. Remember, he didn't get the name Dynamite Kid for nothing!!

Tommy Billington — The Dynamite Kid

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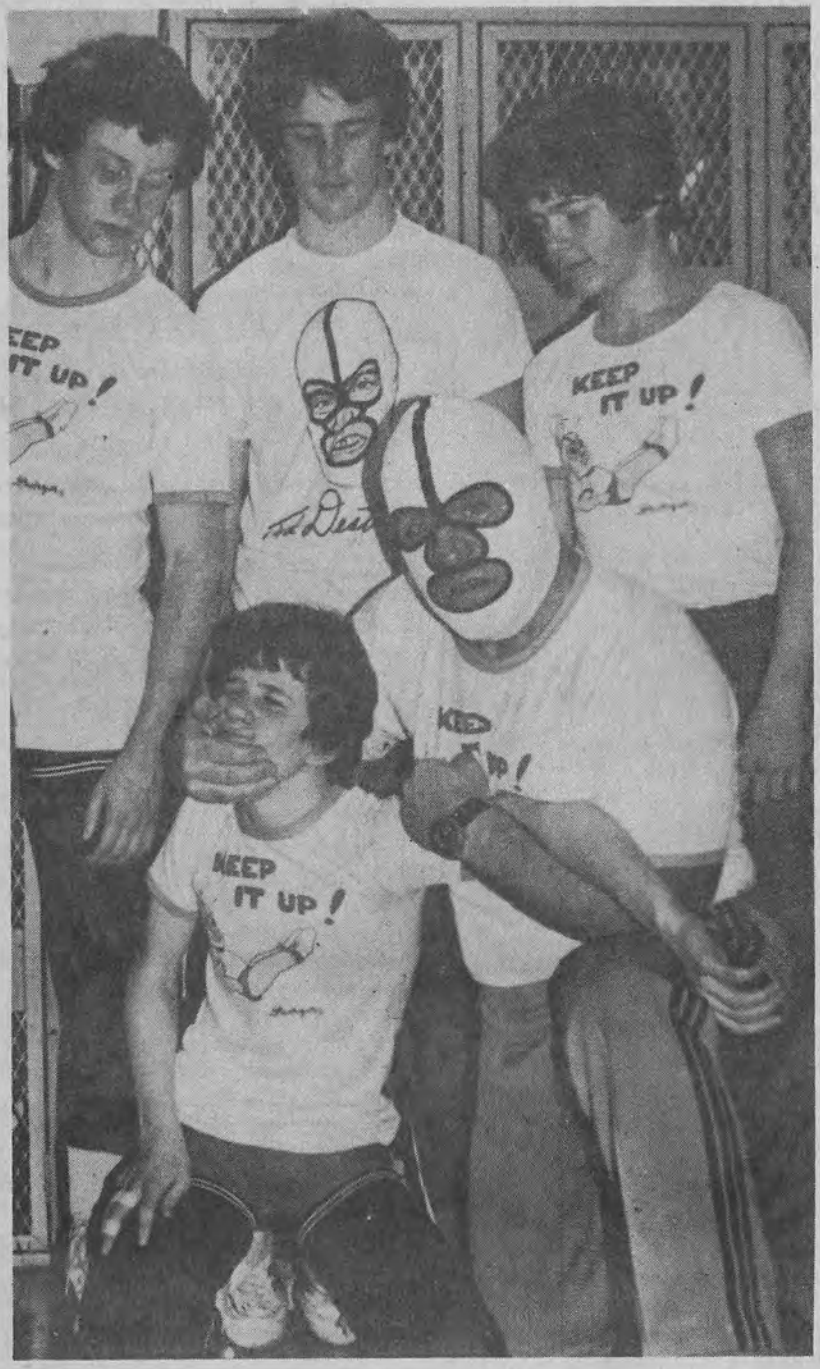

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CARIBBEAN Wrestling NEWS

COLON STILL TOP MAN

Carlos "Carlitos" Colon

Next we will take a look at the promotions of the San Juan, Puerto Rico, booking office that presents wrestling throughout the Caribbean Islands. This office holds membership in the N.W.A. and in the World Wrestling council. The area's recognized champions are: Carlitos "Carlos" Colon, W.W.C. World's Heavyweight Champion (he recently defeated Ric Flair in a Barbados match by disq. in a double World's title bout); Pedro Morales, North American Heavyweight Champion; Abdullah the Butcher (managed by Hugo Savinovitch), Caribbean heavyweight champion; Bob Sweetan, Puerto Rico Heavyweight Champion (he recently won that title from King Tonga); Perro Aguayo W.W.C. World's Jr. Heavyweight Champion; Colon & Morales, World's Tag Team Champions; and The Medics, North American Tag Team Champions (they lost but then regained that title from King Tonga & El Gran Apollo in recent matches).

Other grapplers who have appeared on cards of this promotion during the past two months include Roddy Piper, The Invader, Sweet Daddy Siki, Hercules Analya, Cyclon Negro, Gina Caruso, Scrap Iron Shepherd, Victor Jovica, Barrabas, The Unknown, Chicki Starr, Gypsy Joe, Kendo Nagasaki, Ricky Steamboat, Mr. "X", Pierre Martel, midgets Kid Chocolate, Guliver, Chico Santana, and El Gran Nicolat, and lady wrestlers Donna Christanello and Judy Martin.

Titan Sports recently announced that they were going to move into Puerto Rico and the Caribbean with their own promotion and the N.W.A. promotion here reacted by putting their own program (along with portions from the N.W.A. television programs from Atlanta and the Mid Atlantic) on television in New York City announcing on that program that they will have cards in the "Big Apple" shortly. Neither side has actually yet invaded the other's home territory, but everyone is looking to the future.

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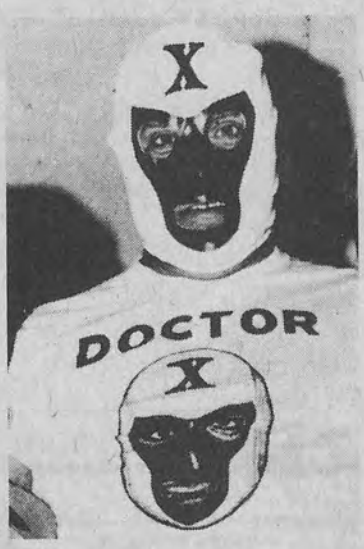

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A.W.A. Wrestling NEWS

BLACK JACKS BACK TOGETHER AGAIN

The American Wrestling Association continues to draw record crowds throughout the areas where its promotions are seen. Those cards have been packed with action recently. The top promotions include the following cities (with the promoters name in parenthesis). They are Chicago (Vern Gagne), St. Paul (Wally Karbo), San Francisco (Leo Nomellini), Winnipeg (Don Briton), Milwaukee (Dennis Hilgart), Denver (Gene Reed), Las Vegas, Phoenix, and Salt Lake City.

Of course the big news in the A.W.A. is the defeat of Nick Bockwinkel for the World's Heavyweight Championship by Tomi "Jumbo" Tsuruda in Japan. We'll have a more detailed report on this in the Japanese Wrestling News on page 46 of this issue. Bockwinkel is determined to regain the title and should have been granted a rematch by the time you read this.

"Rock & Roll" Buck Zum Hofe, continues to hold the World's Light-heavyweight Championship. His top challengers of late have been Steve Regal and Bobby "The Brain" Heenan — the one time manager of World's champions who now that he no longer has any champions in his stable has been trying to win a World's Championship for himself in the lower weight division.

On the tag team scene the team of Ken Patera and Jerry Blackwell, under the management of Sheik Adnann El Kaissey, continue to hold the World's Tag Team Championship, but there are plenty of other top teams who have been in action of late in the AWA.

Not to be forgotten is the combination of Greg Gagne and Jim Brunzell — known as the High Flyers, they are several times former champions and are determined to regain the title from Patera and Blackwell.

We have reported in The Wrestling News about Black Jack Lanza breaking with his former manager Bobby Heenan. Well, Heenan brought in the other Black Jack — Mulligan, in an effort to teach Lanza a lesson. Unfor-

The above photo was taken some years back when Bobby Heenan was managing Black Jack Lanza and Black Jack Mulligan. Now the Black Jacks are teaming but without Heenan as their manager, in fact Heenan has become their most bitter rival.

Nick Bockwinkel and Bobby "The Brain" Heenan have not been doing well of late. Bockwinkel lost the World's Heavyweight Championship to "Jumbo" Tsuruta. That match took place in Japan and a rematch is scheduled shortly.

Ken Patera and Jerry Blackwell, under the management of Sheik Adnann El Kaissey, continue to hold the World's Tag Team Championship. This team combination, known as The Sheiks, has dominated the other tag teams of the AWA for some time.

tunately for Bobby, Mulligan instead decided to reform his tag team with Lanza — and the two Black Jacks together, after seldom wrestling as a team for several years, look like they are in really good shape and could well become champions here as they are now ranked among the top contenders. Heenan, meanwhile has formed a tag team of Nick Bockwinkel, the former AWA World's Heavyweight Champion he continues to manage, and Harley Race, the former seven times NWA World's Heavyweight Champion. These two former singles title holders also are both former holders of the World's Tag Team Championship. Bockwinkel held that title for a long reign with Ray Stevens as his partner, while Harley Race had a long reign as champion with Larry Hennig as his partner.

There have just been so many top tag teams in AWA action recently. Jesse "The Body" Ventura and Mr. Saito have formed a potent combination. They also have records of great success as tag wrestlers with Ventura holding the World's Title for a long reign several years ago partnered by Adrian Adonis, and Mr. Saito teaming with Mr. Fuji on the East Coast to hold the WWF Tag title a couple of years back. Other top tag team combinations who have appeared in AWA rings during the past couple of months include the great Japanese team of Shohei "Giant" Baba and Tenryu. The Crusher and Dick The Bruiser have also teamed up again. They are also former champions. Mad Dog Vachon and Baron von Raschke are another top team. Ricky Martel and Dino Bravo, and The Freebirds, and Steve "O" and Rock & Roll Zum Hofe have also made appearances in team matches. Other top stars who have appeared on recent AWA cards include Jerry Lawler, Ray Stevens, Billy Robinson, and Brad Rheingans.

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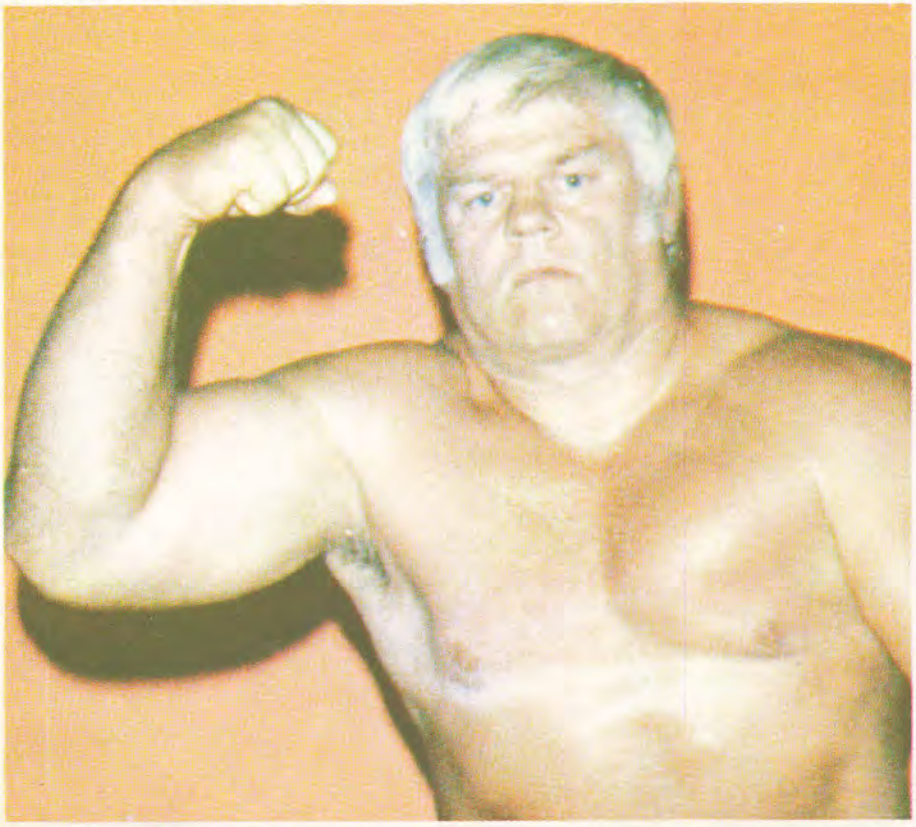
Harley Race, the record holder as seven times former NWA Heavyweight Champion, has now invaded AWA rings and is teaming with Nick Bockwinkel.



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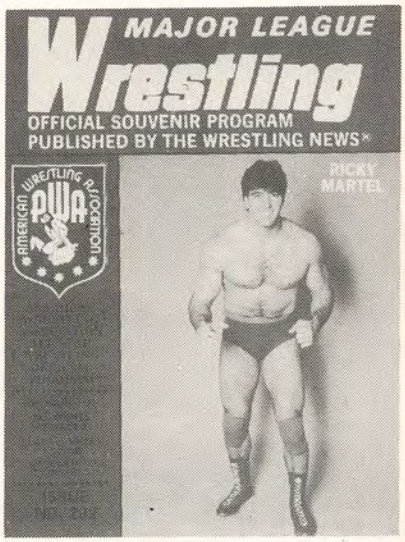

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TITAN Wrestling NEWS

HULK HOGAN WINS A TITLE

In this section we will take a look at the promotions of Titan Sports, Inc., headed by Vince McMahon Jr. with booking office located in Greenwich, Connecticut. To start off we will give you a listing of recent results from cards held at Madison Square Garden in New York, at The Spectrum in Philadelphia, and at the Boston Garden.

Boston (1/14): Bob Backlund def. Sheik Vaziri-disq. The Sheik retained the title he had won the month before from Backlund in M.S.G. Sergeant Bob Slaughter won a battle royal. Pat Patterson def. Mike Sharpe. Tiger Chung Lee (a.k.a. Tiger Taguchi and Kim Duk) def. Tony Garea. Slaughter def. Pete Doherty. Tony Atlas def. Bob Bradley. Paul Orndorff def. Special Delivery Jones. Salvatore Bellomo def. Charlie Fulton. Eddie Gilbert def. Rene Goulet. John Callahan drew Rudy Diamond.

Philadelphia (1/21): Sheik Vaziri and Tito Santana were both disq. in title match. The Masked Superstar def. Bob Backlund on a count out. Don Muraco defeated Salvatore Bellomo to retain I.C. title. In an eight man tag team match, Andre the Giant, Jimmy Snuka, Tony Atlas, and Rocky Johnson defeated the three Samoans and Slaughter. Eddie Gilbert drew with Goulet. Swede Hanson defeated Butcher Vachon. The Invaders defeated Mr. Fuji & Charlie Fulton.

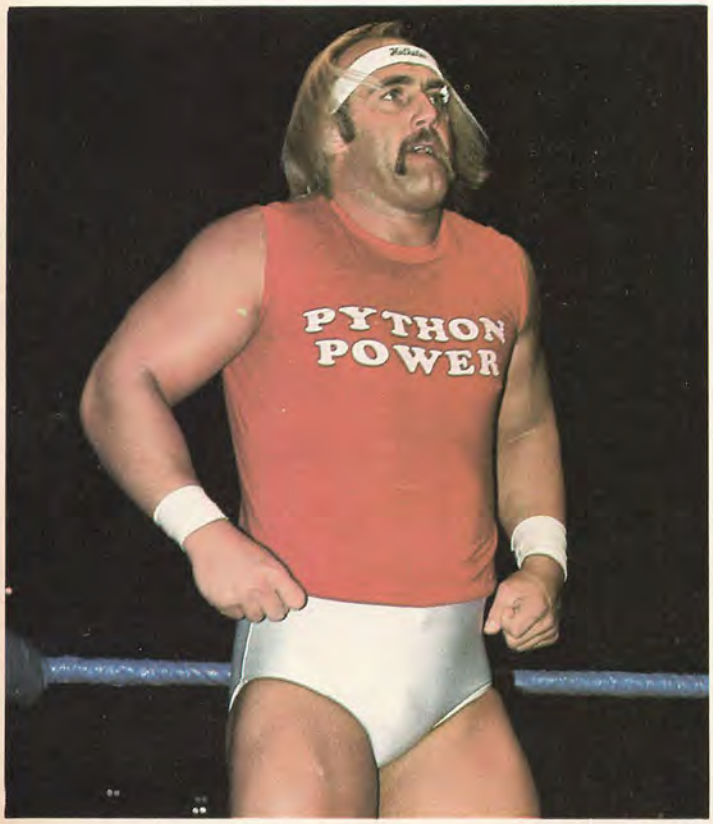
New York (1/23): Hulk Hogan defeated Sheik Vaziri to win title. Slaughter def. Ivan Putski. The Superstar def. Chief Jay Strongbow. Tony Garea topped Jose Rivera. Paul Orndorff def. Sal Bellomo. The Invaders drew with Fuji & Lee. Andre, Atlas, and Johnson defeated the three Samoans in a six man tag. Snuka defeated Sharpe. Muraco drew with Santana.

Boston (2/11): Hogan again defeated Vaziri. Santana defeated Muraco to win the I.C. title. Orndorff def. Strongbow. Garea def. Fred Marzino. Gilbert def. Doherty. Andre-Johnson-Atlas def. Fuji-Lee-Slaughter. Brian Blair def. Goulet. Midgets Tiger Jackson & Haiti Kid def. Dana Carpenter & Pancho Boy.

Philadelphia (2/18): Hogan defended title against The Superstar. Santana retained his I.C. title drawing with Vaziri. Tony Atlas & Rocky Johnson retained their tag title defeating Muraco & Roddy Piper. Andre & Snuke def. Slaughter & David Shultz. Fuji & Lee def. Garea & Gilbert. Brian Blair def. Goulet. Bellomo def. Butcher Vachon.

New York (2/20): Hogan defended title vs. Orndorff. Andre def. Superstar. Santana again bested Muraco. Johnson-Atlas-Putski def. Slaughter-Lee-Fuji. Shults & Piper bested Invaders. Snuka over Samoan #2. Garea over Samoan #1, Vaziri def. Gilbert. Blair def. Sharpe. Rivera def. Fulton.

This same top talent has been appearing throughout the northeast on



HULK HOGAN

SHEIK VAZIRI

Titan cards. Others not already mentioned who have been on cards in this area during the past two months include Israel Matia, Danny Davis, Steve Lombardi, Ken Jugan, Victor Mercado, Dennis Hill, Mike Dorsett, Frank Williams, Hercules Vasquez, Tony Colon, Bill Dixon, Jimmy Jackson, Rudy Diamond, Tonga Kid, Greg Valentine, Barry Hart, Nick DeCarlo, Steve Lombardi, Ted Bailey, Kurt von Hess, Ron Butcher, Goldie Rogers, and Ron Shaw.

Expansion Report: St. Louis has become the hub of McMahon Jr.'s expansion ventures. Titan Sports has moved into that city in direct competition to the long established N.W.A. promotion that continues to be seen there. McMahon Jr. has started a secondary circuit based in St. Louis and is taping a separate television program in that city that he now shows there in his other expansion markets. That show features some of the top stars from the northeast base, but also has developed some of its own separate stars such as John Studd (recently departed from the northeast), Adrian Adonis, Dick Murdoch, and Mil Mascaras. On his first card in Kiel Auditorium, young McMahon drew a complete sellout (the rival N.W.A. promotion also sold out there recently so for now fans are supporting both promotions) with John Studd winning a battle royal that also featured Andre the Giant, David Shultz, Bob Boyer, The Moondogs, Bobby Fulton, Brian Madden, Mascaras, Samoan #3, Atlas, Johnson, Adonis, Murdoch, Snuka, Fuji, Putski and Orndorff. Hulk Hogan def. The Superstar to retain his title on that card.

In California, young McMahon has cut back on his operation. He is reported to have folded the promotion he had in San Jose with Red Bastien (where they were in direct competition to the A.W.A. San Francisco promotion in the same area) but there are also reports that he and Bastien plan to open up again in Sacramento. He also is reported to have folded the promotion he ran with Mike LeBell in San Diego, and has moved out of the Los Angeles Sports Arena (where he and LeBell also co-promoted) and back into the Olympic Auditorium, which was the long time home of professional wrestling in that city. We are not certain.that LeBell is still co-promoter as his name was not mentioned with any reports or ads we saw from the card held there — the only W.W.F. card in California during the past two months that we have a report on — which was a big success selling out the Olympic with a battle royal that was won by Andre the Giant. Others featured in it were Mascaras, Slaughter, Billy Anderson, Al Madril, Jack Armstrong, Pat Patterson, Garea, Bellomo, Mickey Doyle, John Tolos, Tony Rocco, Adonis, Lee, Alexia Smirnoff, Putski, Fuji, Atlas, Vaziri, and Santana.

He also ran the first two cards in Detroit in his new co-promotion there with George Cannon at Cobo Arena. In the first main event Bob Backlund bested Slaughter. Others featured were Andre, Snuka, Johnson, The Samoans, Santana, Sharpe, Lee, Pete Caparella, Chris Carter, Bob Bradley, Greg Wojo, Strongbow, and midgets Farmer Pete and Little John. On their second Detroit card, Muraco topped Snuka in the main. Others on it were Orndorff, Bellomo, Atlas, Fuji, The Invaders, Jerry Graham Jr., Chris Carter, The Superstar, Caparella, Binello, Don Kent, Sheik Vaziri, and Garea.

McMahon Jr. has put his television program on in Chicago and is promising to invade the windy city shortly. It is also reported that he will move into Indiana. In Chicago he will challenge the established A.W.A. promotion but in Indiana there are rumors that he will co-promote with the established W.W.A. booking office in Indiana — fueled by the fact that such top W.W.A. stars as Jerry Valiant and Bobby Colt have been appearing on the W.W.F. St. Louis television program. Also, many of the W.W.A. stars have been appearing on McMahon Jr.'s cards in Detroit. Whatever the future brings, we will report on the W.W.A. itself right here in this issue. They continue to promote cards throughout Indiana and in suburban Chicago (Villa Park) on a regular basis. Title changes since our last report saw Spike Huber defeat Bobby Colt for the singles title in Indianapolis; and Dick the Bruiser & Jeff Van Camp defeat Jerry Valiant & Great Abdullah for the tag title in that same city. Others appearing on W.W.A. cards during the past two months include J.R. Hogg, Rooster Griffin, Leroy Redbone, Bobo Brazil, Craig Carson, Jerry Graham Jr., Greg Wojo, Jose Martinez, Elizia, and Black Panther. It has also been reported in the Twin City newspapers that McMahon Jr. plans to move into Minnesota and challenge the A.W.A. promotions there, but so far no concrete moves there have been observed.

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QUEBEC Wrestling NEWS

BRAVO FEUDS WITH MARTEL

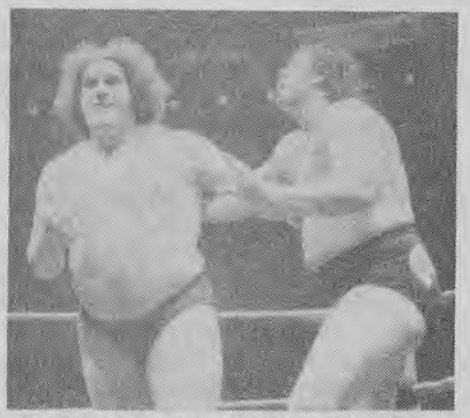
Leo Burke controls Pierrie Lefebvre with a headlock.

First we will take a look at the booking office in Montreal headed by Frank Valois. This office has in the past been a member of the W.W.F. but they have now dropped that affiliation according to our reports and joined the A.W.A., and since the first of the year we have no reports of any wrestlers from the W.W.F. (Titan Sports) appearing in Montreal outside of Andre the Giant, whereas prior to that time there were wrestlers from the Titan booking office here regularly.

A.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion Nick Bockwinkel defended his title here several times shortly before he lost it to Jumbo Tsuruta in Japan. Bockwinkel turned back challenges from Leo Burke, Dino Bravo, and Tony Parisi. The A.W.A. World's Tag Team Champions — Ken Patera & Jerry Blackwell — also made an appearance, besting the team of Tenryu & Richard Charland.

The area's top title — the International Heavyweight Championship — continues to be held by Dino Bravo. Bravo also was the winner of a big battle royal held in Quebec City by Promoter Dick Marshall. The big feud here in Quebec is between former tag team partners Dino Bravo and Rick Martel. Martel is determined to take the International Crown from Bravo, but so far Dino has held onto it.

Sailor "Moondog" White clamps a chin lock on Richard Charland.



Andre the Giant battles Black Jack Mulligan Sr.

Leo Burke has defended his North American Heavyweight championship here several times, turning back challenges from Abdullah the Butcher, Sailor White, and Pierre "Mad Dog" Lefebvre.

Meanwhile, Lefebvre and Frency Martin won the area tag team title from Tony Parisi & Gino Brito Sr. Brito Sr. was injured in the match and forced to retire from professional wrestling.

Others who have appeared on cards here recently include Henri Cardinal, Gino Brito Jr., Billy Robinson, Black Jack Mulligan Sr., Greg Gagne, Baron von Raschke, John White, John Quinn, Antonio Ricco, Armand Rogeau, Tito Senza, Bob Boucher, Denis Goulet, Bob and Ricki Dellaserra, Richard Tessier, John Walling, Michel Morin, Hubert Gallant, Gary the Butcher, and Mel Carter.

There is also a smaller promotion headed by Lionel Provost that is active in Quebec. The only information we have on it is that Bull Gregory & Georges Guimend are recognized as its tag team champions. Others reported appearing on its cards during the past two months include Mike Vachon, Jim Kelly, Fernand Frichette, Chin Lee, Andre Bumbardier, Jack Fortire, The Masked Hangman, Big Black Pig, Ben Hulley, Serge Rolland, Rolland Gludu, Willie Tremblay, and Joe Sarrault.

REPORTERS: Chaude Brousseau, Camille Lord, Doug Champers, and Neil Drummond. Our special thanks to Paul Heyman and Joe Carrino for the photos that appear with this section.

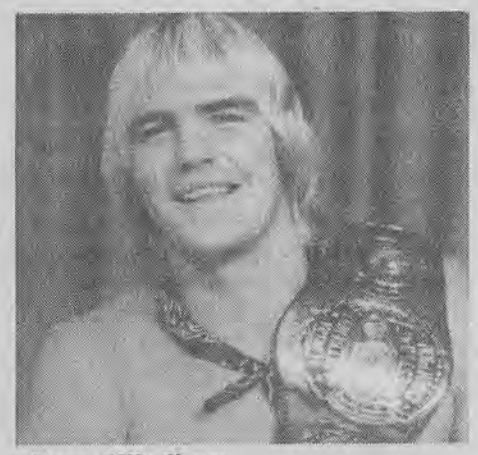
CENTRAL STATES

Wrestling NEWS

N.W.A. ALIVE AND WELL!

First we will look at the St. Louis Wrestling Club (headed by Pat O'Connor, Bob Geigel, and Verne Gagne) that has long been active in that city. When Junior McMahon brought his W.W.F. promotion to town he maneuvered a contract to replace this promotion's program on the television station where it had long been seen and attempted to give the impression that he had replaced them as the major promotion in the city as well.

The St. Louis Wrestling Club did not go out of business. Instead they arranged for three hours of television wrestling programs on another station each week — showing the top rated programs from Kansas City (N.W.A.), Dallas (N.W.A. World Class), and Minneapolis (A.W.A.) — and brought



Barry Windham

in the top stars from these and other areas for some super spectaculars. The St. Louis wrestling fans turned out in record numbers to support the old promotion; and also for the new W.W.F. promotion as we reported in the Titan section. Maybe this town will continue to support both promotions — in any case the established N.W.A. one is still in business, not only surviving but doing very well.

N.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair successfully defended his title here twice during the past two months — first defeating Bruiser Brody and next defeating Barry Windham (Black Jack Mulligan Jr.). Windham had won the right to a title match by coming out the winner of a 20-man battle royal. Others in that competition were Dory Funk Jr., Roger Kirby, Mark Youngblood, Harley Race, Wahoo McDaniel, Scott Ferris, Buzz Tyler, T.G. Stone, Buck Robley, Tully Blanchard, Jim Brunzell, Jay Youngblood, Black Jack Mulligan Sr., Dick Slater, Ken Patera, Jim Garvin, Luke Graham, and Crusher Blackwell.

Ken Patera & Jerry Blackwell, the A.W.A. World's Tag Team Champions, were also in action here twice. First they bested the team of Gene Kiniski & Dick the Bruiser; and then they turned back the combo of Buck Robley & Ron Ritchie.

Harley Race defeated David von Erich to win the Missouri State Heavyweight championship shortly before David's sudden death in Japan (see obituary on page 58). Since then Harley has been severely challenged by Wahoo McDaniel who pinned him in a non-title match and who defeated him via disq. in a title contest.

Other wrestlers not already mentioned who appeared on N.W.A. cards in St. Louis include The Cobra, Tiger Mask, Bob Orton Jr., Dusty Rhodes, "Bulldog" Bob Brown, and the masked Grapplers.

Kansas City report: The Kansas City booking office (headed by Bob Geigel who is also the president of the entire National Wrestling Alliance) presents cards weekly in that city and regulalry in many other cities in Missouri, Kansas, and Iowa.

World's Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair has made several appearances, successfully turning back challenges from Bruiser Brody, Harley Race, and The Junkyard Dog — although in the last two cases the matches were actually draws, with both Flair and JYD disqualified in their KC title bout. World's Jr. Heavyweight Champion Les Thornton also made an appearance and turned back the challenge of Ron Ritchie.

Tully Blanchard captured the Central States Heavyweight Championship from Buzz Tyler, but then lost it back to Tyler in a rematch.

Col. Buck Robley won a tournament in Des Moines, Iowa, to become the Central States Television Champion. Others in that competition were Ron

Buzz Tyler

Ritchie, Paul Kelly, Scott Ferris, Bill Howard, Roger Kirby, Tiger Mask, Tommy Rogers, and Dusty Wolff.

The Central States Tag Team Championship remains vacant. A tournament for it is to be set shortly.

Others who appeared on matches of this promotion during the past two months include Kimala, Wahoo McDaniel, The Road Warriors, Luke Graham, Ted DiBiase, Bulldog Bob Brown, The Grapplers, Kerry von Erich, Ted Oates, T.G. Stone, Mike George, Dave Austin, King Cobra, Mark & Jay Youngblood, Grizzly Evans, Johnny Rogers, and midgets Little Coco and Johnny Reb.

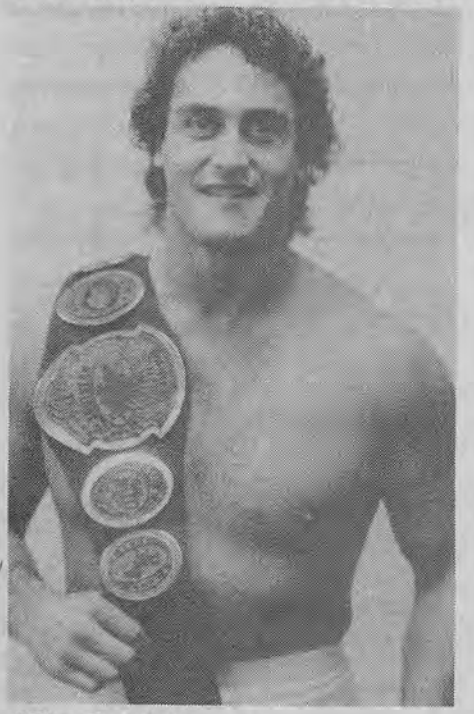
REPORTERS: Diane Devine, William Wilson, John A. Johnson, and Mel Bosen.

FLORIDA Wrestling NEWS

FLAIR ACTIVE IN FLORIDA

In this section we will take a look at the N.W.A. booking office in Tampa, Florida, headed by Eddie Graham and Jim Barnett. They present cards on a weekly basis in most of the major cities in the southern part of this state.

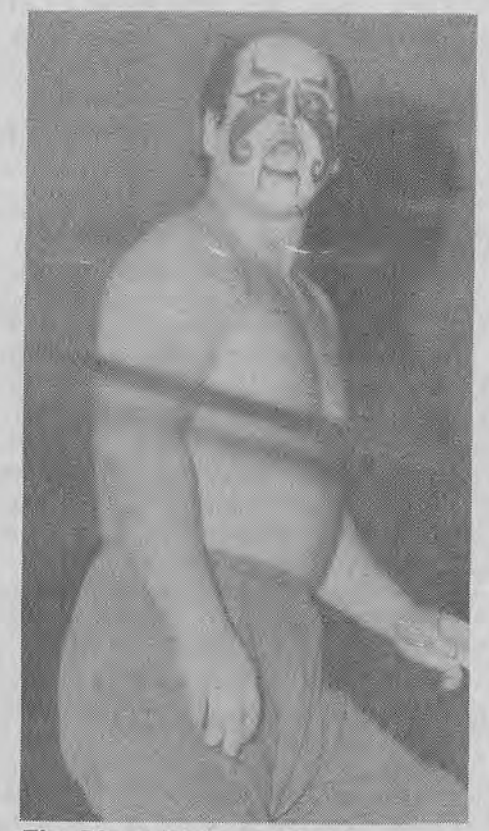
World's Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair has been very active in this state during the past two months. He has turned back challenges from Dusty Rhodes, Mike Rotundo, Mike Davis, Barry Windham, and The Yellow Dog. Actually most fans think The Yellow Dog and young Windham are one in



Mike Rotundo

the same, although there was no reason for Barry to don a mask to wrestle.

Ron Bass, who is managed by James J. Dillon, continues to hold the area's top singles title — the Southern Heavyweight Championship. Among the challengers he has defended against are Windham, Rotundo, and The Yellow Dog.



The Black Ninja — Kendo Nagasaki

Kendo "The Black Ninja" Nagazaki defeated Mike Rotundo to win the Florida State Heavyweight Championship. The Ninja has since defended that title against challenges from Billy Jack and from Mike Davis.

Hector Guerrero defeated Dennis Brown in an elimination match to be named Florida Junior Heavyweight champion. Guerrero has since defended that title against challenges from Brown and from Anthony Charles.

Black Bart (a.k.a. Rick Harris) took the Florida Brass Knucks title from Black Jack Mulligan Sr.

Mike Rotundo & Mike Davis won the area's U.S. Tag Team Championship from Ron Bass & The One Man Gang (Crusher Broomfield) but then the Mikes lost that title to Ron Bass & Black Bart.

Others not already mentioned who appeared on cards of this promotion during the past two months include Kevin Sullivan, Joe Lightfoot, The Infernos, Kharma (Mongol Gene Lewis), Mike Graham, Mr. Olympia, Hacksaw Duggan, Buzz Sawyer, and lady wrestlers Lei Lani Kai, Judy Martin, Penny Mitchell, and Depina Mantagus.

This office also presents cards in the Bahamas. At the present time Dusty Rhodes holds the Bahama Islands Heavyweight Championship.

REPORTERS: David Williamson, Scott Wojcicki, and Jerry Prater.

Hector Guerrero

GULF COAST Wrestling NEWS

MANY TITLE CHANGES RECENTLY

The first two months of 1984 saw a great many title changes on the promotions of the N.W.A. booking office in Dothan, Alabama, that presents cards throughout that state and also in adjacent northern Florida. We will try to run down all of them.

The area's top title is the Southeastern Heavyweight Championship. Joe LeDuc won it from Robert Fuller. Then LeDuc left the area and the title was declared vacant. Bob Armstrong won a tournament to become the next champion. He lost the title to Jerry Stubbs (Mr. Olympia) but then in a subsequent title defense against Jimmy Golden, Stubbs was disqualified for attacking two referees and stripped of the title. Wayne Ferris was the winner of a subsequent tournament in Mobile and still holds this championship as we go to press.

"Hustler" Rip Rogers

Sonny King

The Southeatern Tag Team Championship also changed hands in a unique way. Ron Starr left the area with the title belonging to him and Wayne Ferris. A tournament was held in Montgomery with Jerry Stubbs (Mr. Olympia) & Arn Anderson (Super Olympia) defeating Jimmy Golden & Jacques Rogeau in the finals. Incidentally, Super Olympia had been earlier defeated and unmasked by Jacques in a Birmingham match and revealed to be Anderson.

The area's U.S. Junior Heavyweight championship also changed hands several times. First Hustler Rip Rogers won it from Ken Lucas. Then Lucas regained it in a rematch. Lucas then lost the title to David Morgan. And Morgan lost the title to Larry Hamilton.

The Alabama State Heavyweight Championship only changed hands once during the past two months. Charlie Cook defeated Jerry Stubbs to win it.

Sonny King has been active here both as a wrestler and as a manager. In his stable at present here are Boris Zurkov and The New Guinea Maneater. Others who appeared on cards of this promotion during the past two months include Brad Armstrong, Scott Armstrong, Masked Superstar, Wendell Cooley, Franklin Hayes, Randy Barber, and Ron Fuller.

REPORTER: David Williamson. Special thanks to George Hill for the photos of Rip Rogers appearing on this page.

Rip Rogers and his valet, Miss Brenda Britton.

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WESTERN CANADA Wrestling NEWS

TOMKO AND HART PROMOTIONS

Ed "Moondog" Moretti

We will next report on the booking offices in western Canada in Vancouver (headed by Al Tomko) and in Calgary (headed by Stu Hart). According to our reporter Neil Drummond, neither promotion any longer holds membership in the N.W.A. He says that Tomko is now affiliated with "Universal Wrestling" and Hart with the I.W.A. In any case, they continue to both promote, often in direct competition, in western Canada.

Tomko Promotions: First we will run down the title changes since our last report. Moondog Moretti now holds the area's Canadian Heavyweight Championship winning it from Al Tomko. Tomko had earlier lost that title to Snake Williams, but the belt was returned to him on a protest upheld due to outside interference from Evan Sebastian (the manager of Williams).

On the tag team scene, Rick Patterson & Randy Rich defeated Williams & Star Rider in a television match to fill the vacant Canadian Tag Team Championship of this promotion. They then lost the title to the team of Williams & Athol Foley who in turn lost it to Moondog Moretti & Star Rider. As far as we know, Bulldog Bob Brown & Buzz Tyler are still recognized here as International Tag Team Champions although neither has appeared in some months.

Two new titles were created by this promotion. Athol Foley (who is managed here by his father J.R. Foley) defeated Kevin Jefferies to be named Canadian Jr. Heavyweight Champion. Velvet McIntyre defeated Malisa Dahl to be named Canadian Women's Champion. Others who have made appearances for Tomko promotions during the past two months include The Warrior, The Biker, Dean Ho, Jerry Morrow, Moose Morowski, Pete Flowers, Joe Cagle, Verne Siebert, Ole Olson, Igor Volkoff, and John Baker. Most impressive newcomer has been Wojo Urenko (a former amateur champion in B.C.) who won a 15 man Battle Royal in Vancouver in his pro debut.

Tomko has not promoted cards outside of British Columbia during the past two months but has now announced that he will be moving back into Alberta (to compete directly against Hart's base) and also into the state of Washington where he has scheduled cards in Yakima, Bellingham, and Sedro Wooley — cities that to my knowledge have not had pro wrestling recently.

Hart Promotions: Stu Hart continues to present cards regularly throughout Alberta, Saskatchewan, and British Columbia. Since our last report the area's North American Heavyweight title has changed hands twice. Archie "The Mongolian Stomper" Gouldie defeated "Bad News" Allen Coage to win the title but then lost it to Killer Khan. Gouldie defended it against Kerry Brown before losing it, and since winning it Khan has defended it against challenges from Quinn and also from "Stomper" Gouldie. In fact, Khan defeated The Mongolian Stomper recently in a loser leave the territory match. Since then though, a masked "Bounty Hunter" has appeared on the scene who both Khan and his manager, K.Y. Wakamatsu, claim is really The Stomper.

The Dynamite Kid is recognized here as World's Mid-Heavyweight Champion but has not defended his title or been in the area for over two months. He is expected back shortly. Sonny Two Rivers continues to hold recognition here as British Commonwealth Mid-Heavyweight Champion and so there has been action in that weight division. Two Rivers also won a big battle royal in Regina, Sask.

Bruce Hart & Davey Boy Smith continue to hold this promotion's International Tag Team Championship. They defended it against the team of The Mongolian Stomper and his son, Jeff Gouldie, recently.

Others who have made appearances on cards of this promotion during the past two months include Timothy Flowers, Bret Hart, The Cobra, The Cuban Assassin, Hiro Saito, Phil LeFluer (who won a big Calgary battle royal), Karl "Butch" Moffat, Ben Bassarab, Randy Webber, Mr. Hito, Ron Starr, Elton Stanton, Louis Lawrence, Shinji Takano, Danny Davis, Duke Myers, Mike Shaw, Jerry Morrow, Hubert Gallant, and John Quinn (who is recognized as World's Heavyweight Champion by some European promoters). Quinn's title claim has been mentioned here several times but he has not yet defended that belt in matches here according to our reports.

On a special card in Vancouver, B.C., that was televised to Japan, several top stars from that country including Antonio Inoki, Tatsumi Fujinami, and Nobushiko Takado made appearances.

REPORTERS: Neil Drummond, Doug Chambers, Rachel Paulhus, Dale Giovannetti, Vic Abbott, Barbi Barker, and Carol Fast.

JAPANESE Wrestling NEWS

JUMBO TSURUTA WINS WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

All Japan Pro Wrestling Co. (which holds membership in the N.W.A., A.W.A., and Pacific Wrestling Federation) is the oldest of the wrestling promotions in Japan. The biggest news in Japan is that Tomi "Jumbo" Tsuruta defeated Nick Bockwinkel to win the A.W.A. World's Heavyweight Championship in Tokyo. Tsuruta already held recognition here as International Heavyweight Champion and both titles were at stake in the match. This victory had made Tsuruta the biggest star of professional wrestling in Japan, and he has gone to the U.S.A. to take over Bockwinkel's title bookings but is expected to return to Japan shortly and to defend the title there.

Former N.W.A. champion Terry Funk was the special referee in the match that saw the World's title change hands. We want to give special thanks to Koichi Yoshizawa whose photos of this match, and of other Japanese wrestling appear with this article. The date of the title change was February 23rd.

Stan "The Lariat" Hansen continues to hold the P.W.F. Heavyweight Championship and is signed to defend it shortly against former holder Shohei "Giant" Baba.

The United National Heavyweight Championship now belongs to Genichiro Tenryu who defeated Ricky Steamboat in an elimination match to become the champion. David von Erich held that title at the time of his death and this match filled the vacancy it created. David had earlier taken the title from Michael Hayes who had won it from Ted DiBiase.

Nick Bockwinkel with reporter Koichi Yoshizawa before match.

The Mighty Inoue defeated Chavo Guerrero to win the International Junior Heavyweight Championship. Inoue gave up his share of the Asia Tag Team Championship which he had held with Ashura Hara, and Hara was allowed to choose a new partner — Takachi Ishikawa — on the championship team.

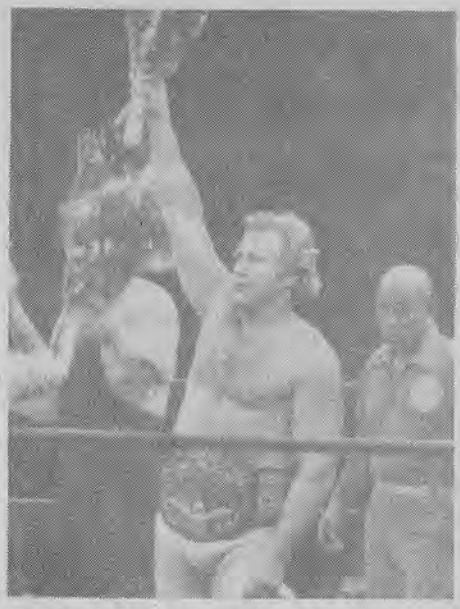
Jumbo Tsuruta & Giant Baba continue to hold the International Tag Team Championship. They have recently had successful title defenses against The Freebirds (Michael Hayes & Terry Gordy) and against the team of Bruiser Brody & Alexia Smirnoff.

The top Japanaese stars (not already mentioned) who have appeared on cards of this promotion since the first of the year include Mach Hayato, The Magic Dragon (Kazou Sonoda), Masanobu Fuchi, Atushi Onita, Takashi Ishikawa, Akio Sato, Motoshi Okuma, The Great Kojika, Rocky Hata, Ultra Seven, Umanosuke Ueda, Goro Tsurumi, and The Great Kabuki. Kabuki has emerged as a superstar in his native Japan after spending most of his recent years wrestling in the United States.

Among the up and coming new stars who appeared during the last two months on cards of this promotion are Shiro Koshinaka, Mitsuhara Misawa, Yoshihiro Momota, Mitsuo Momota, Nobuyoshi Sugawara, Hiromichi Fuyuki, Tarzan Gotoh, and Toshiaki Kawada.

Imported talent in their first series of 1984 (called Giant Series) included Freebirds Hayes & Gordy, Steve "O" Olsonoski, Kerry Kiniski, Gypsy Joe,

"Jumbo" Tsuruta — the new A.W.A. World's Heavyweight Champion.



Bockwinkel waves bouquet to the capacity crowd as he enters ring.

and the masked Lizmark from Mexico.

The second 1984 series (Excite Series) featured Bockwinkel, Brody, Smirnoff, Steamboat, Chavo Guerrero, The Super Destroyers, Thomas Ivy, Jerry Morrow, and was to have featured David von Erich until his untimely death.

The Grand Champion Carnival (the third series of 1984) is about to start as we go to press. Those announced as signed to appear include Bockwinkel, Stan Hansen, Brody, Ted DiBiase, Dory Funk Jr., Kerry von Erich, Bugsy McGraw, Ron Bass, Bob Brown, and Joe LeDuc.

New Japan Pro Wrestling Co. is the promotion that up until now has been affiliated with the W.W.F, but we are uncertain if that remains true. Tatsumi "Dragon" Fujinami continues to hold this group's International Heavyweight Championship. The Dynamite Kid (Tommy Billington) defeated The Cobra (George Takano) to win their recognition as World's Junior Heavyweight Champion.

The Japanese wrestlers who have appeared on this group's promotions so far in 1984 include Antonio Inoki, Rusher Kimura, Riki Choshu, Higo "Animal" Hamaguchi, Kuniaki Kobayashi, Isamu Teranishi, Akira Maeda, Yoshiaki Yatsu, Seiji Sakaguchi, Nobukiko Takada, Ryuma Go, Kengo Kimura, Yoshiaki Fujiwara, Kurusu, Osamu Kido, Kazuo Yamazaki, Kantaro Hoshino, and Haruka Eigen.

Special referee Terry Funk instructs Tsuruta and Bockwinkel.

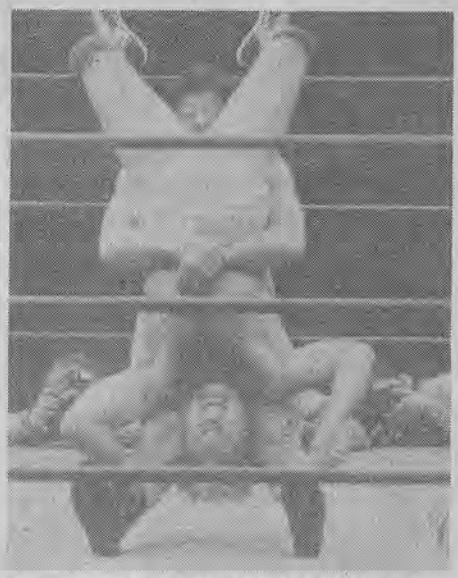
They have promoted one series in Japan so far this year. Called the "Golden Series" it featured imported stars Dusty Rhodes, Abdullah the Butcher, Buddy Rose, "Bad News" Allen Coage, The Dynamite Kid, Bret Hart, Davey Boy Smith, Black Tiger (Mark Rocco), Babe Face, and W.W.F. World's Heavyweight Champion Hulk Hogan.

Nick uses his piledriver on Tsuruta.

It is interesting to note that Hogan did not wrestle any top stars in single matches in the two weeks he was in Japan, and that the tag team title he and Antonio Inoki won in a tournament here last year is no longer mentioned — in fact Hogan formed a team with Iron Mike Sharpe for most of his matches here and Inoki was on the other side in some of those tag matches. It has been reported in the Japanese press that this was Hogan's final appearance for this promotion in Japan.

This group also promoted two cards in the Phillipines. Featured on them were Inoki, Sakaguchi, Choshu, Hamaguchi, Yatsu, Maeda, Kobayashi, Fujiwara, Takada, Coage, Black Tiger, and Mike Sharpe. Fujinami defeated Killer Kahn in a special title match held in the Phillipines.

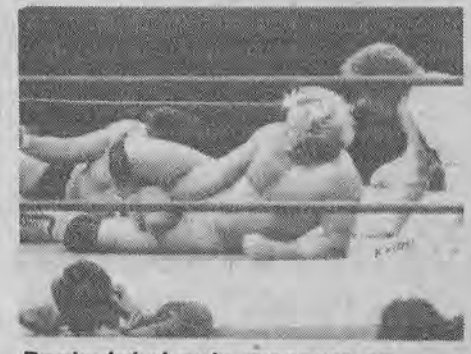
They have announced that they will shortly start a new series that will feature Dick Murdoch, Adrian Adonis, The Masked Superstar, Don



Jumbo shows Bockwinkel that he also knows how to use a piledriver.

Muraco, The Mongolian Stomper, The Grapper, Bobby Duncum, Ed Leslie (Dizzy Hogan), Jim Neidhart, The Samoan #3, Iron Mike Sharpe, Elija Akeem (LeRoy Brown) and Kareem Mohammad (Ray Candy).

However much of the future of this organization is clouded by statements in the Japanese press that many of the top stars of this promotion will leave



Bockwinkel puts pressure on Tsuruta's arm.

and start working for a new promotion, which we will report on next.

McMahon Promotion in Japan has just been announced in public press conferences in that city by Hisashi Shimma and the Fuji television network. Shimma was in the past the head of the New Japan promotion until he lost his job there last year and also was the president of the World Wrestling Federation. He had a press conference in which he announced that he had been meeting with the McMahons in New York and had formed a new promotion with them that will shortly start presenting cards in Japan — and also in Hong Kong, Singapore, and Korea. The Fuji network announced that they will shortly start to carry a new televi-

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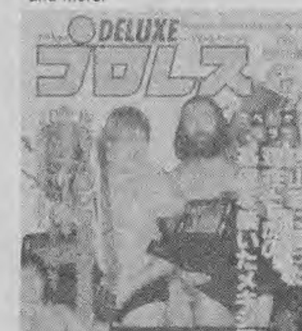

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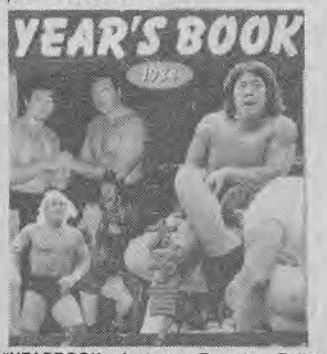

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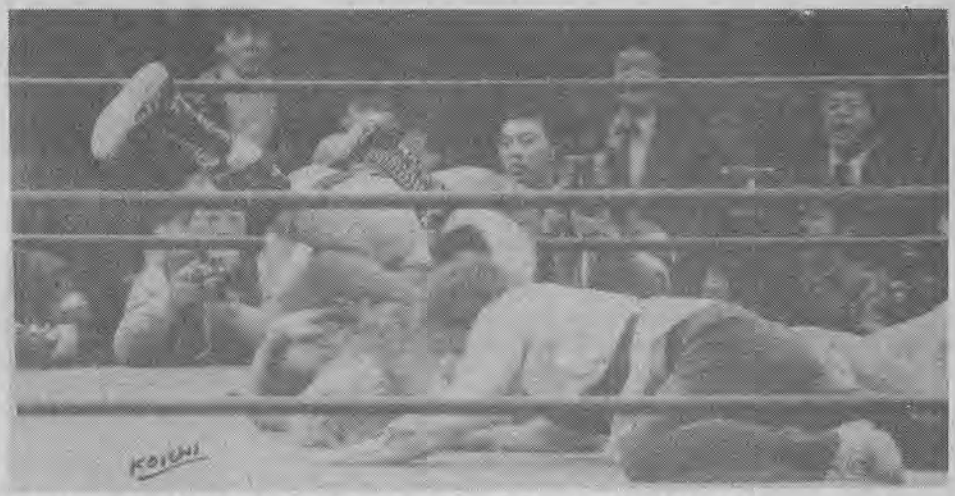


Jumbo pins Nick Bockwinkel in defeat to win World's title.

sion program from this group.

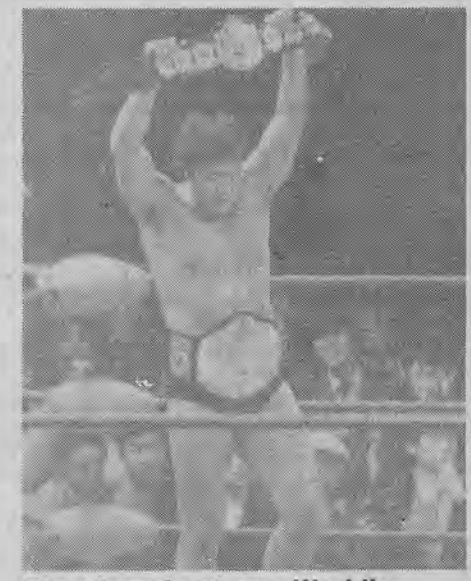
Shimma stated that such stars as Hulk Hogan, Andre the Giant, and Adrian Adonis would make up the nucleus of this new promotion. He also stated that they would announce shortly several top Japanese stars who had signed with them. So far, as we go to press, no matches have been scheduled in Japan by this new group and they have not announced who the Japanese stars are that they have signed — although there is a great deal of speculation in the press as to who they are — and mentioned most often are Satoru Sayama (who was known as Tiger Mask on New Japan promotion cards the last few years), Riki Choshu, Akira Maeda, Rusher Kimura, Kazuo Yamazaki, and Ryuma Go.

As we said, so far the new McMahon promotion has only held press conferences in Japan. Until they actually start to promote no one knows exactly who will wrestle for them. However, the announcements thus far have really stirred up the press (which always covers professional wrestling well in Japan) and one of the major weekly Japanese magazines featured a large picture of Vince McMahon Sr. in full color on the front cover recently, an honor usually reserved for top wrestling stars only. We hope to have more news on this new promotion in our next issue.

All Japan Women Wrestling Association is the last promotion we will report on in this section of The Wrestling News. In this country lady wrestlers do not appear on the same cards with male wrestlers. This separate promotion also brings in top stars from other countries.

Jager Yokota remains the recognized World's Champion. She has recently turned back challenges from Devil Masami and from Monster Ripper.

The Pacific Championship is vacant following the retirement of Mimi Hagawara for medical reasons. Her last title match saw her defeat Chigusa Nagayo.



The triumphant new World's Champion still also holds the International title.

The Japanese Championship is held by Lioness Asuka, and the Japanese Junior Championship by Noriyo Tateno.

This promotion also has a version of the World's Tag Team Championship that is held by Jumbo Hori & Yukari Omari. They have recently turned back title challenges from Lioness Asuka & Chigusa Nagayo, Terry Shane & Lei Lani Kai, and Dampu Matsumoto & The Masked Yu.

Other lady stars who have appeared on cards of this group during the past two months include Itsuki Yamazaki, Masked Tarantula, Princess Victoria, and Elizabeth Chase.

REPORTERS: Koichi Yoshizawa and Haruo Yamaguchi. Special thanks to Koichi Yoshizawa for the photos that appear with this section.

TEXAS Wrestling NEWS

CHRIS ADAMS DOMINATES SCENE

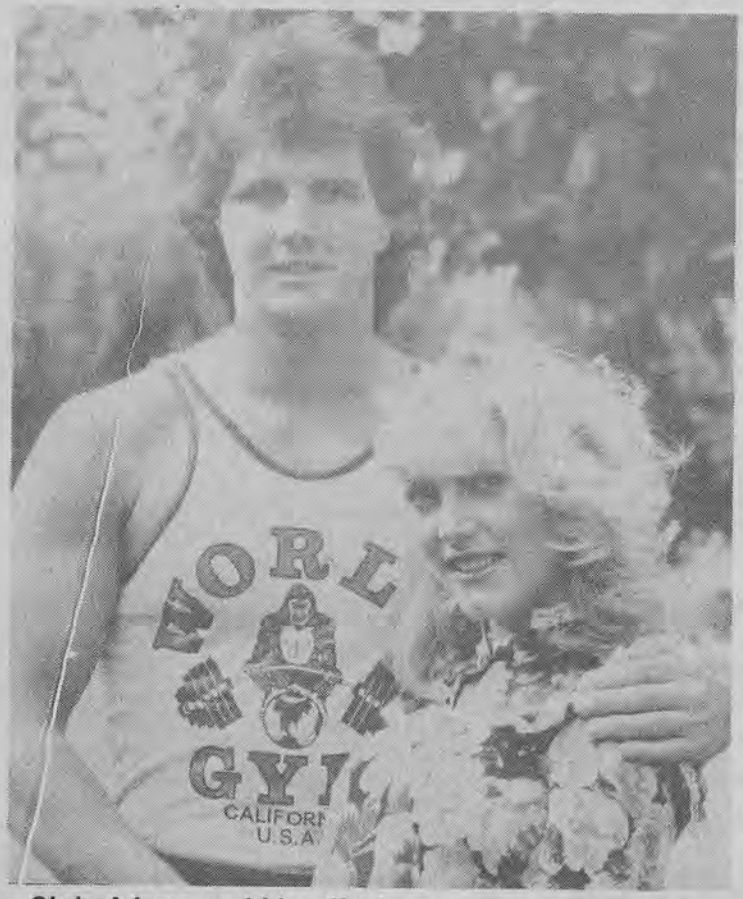
Next we will take a look at the N.W.A. booking office in Dallas, Texas. This promotion presents cards in that city, in Fort Worth, in San Antonio, and in many other smaller cities in Texas and Oklahoma.

All other news here was overshadowed by the death of the great David von Erich. (An obituary appears on page 58 of this issue of The Wrestling News.) He had wrestled Ric Flair here several times, and beaten him — although on dq. and therefore not for the title — just weeks before his death.

Chris Adams has been the dominant man on the scene and continues to hold the area's top singles title — the U.S. American Heavyweight Championship. Adams has ben embroiled in a bitter feud with Jim Garvin and for a while the title was held up after one of their meetings, but Chris came through to defeat Garvin and end the dispute. Chris also still holds the Texas Brass Knucks title according to our latest reports.

The Texas Television Championship has changed hands several times. Most recently we received news that The Super Destoyer #1 won the title from Brian Adidas. Earlier it was held by Johnny Mantell, and we are not sure when it passed to Adidas.

Adidas and Iceman King Parsons defeated the two masked Super Destroyers to win the area's World's Tag Team Championship for two men teams.



Chris Adams and his wife Jean.

The Fabulous Freebirds — Terry Gordy, Michael Hayes, and Buddy Roberts.

The World's 3-Man Tag Team Championship is back in the possession of The Freebirds — Michael Hayes, Terry Gordy, and Buddy Roberts. Since our last report they lost this title after Michael Hayes for forced to leave Texas (as reported in the last issue of The Wrestling News) when Ric Flair substituted for Hayes and he along with Roberts and Gordy were defeated by the team of David, Kevin, and Kerry von Erich. The three Von Erich brothers then lost the title back to the original three Freebirds in a match held outside of Texas.

The three Freebirds have now been allowed to return to Texas and to wrestle in that state again.

Other wrestlers who have appeared on cards of this promotion since our last report include The Missing Link, Scandor Akbar, Jose Lothario, Doug Lyons, Kimala, Ernie Ladd, The Mongol, Mike Reed, Black Gordman, Mr. Ebony, Andre the Giant, Mike von Erich, Ron Chitum, Tom Renesto, The Fishman, Perro Aguallo, Billy White Cloud, Raul Castro, Kelly Kiniski, and George Weingeroff.

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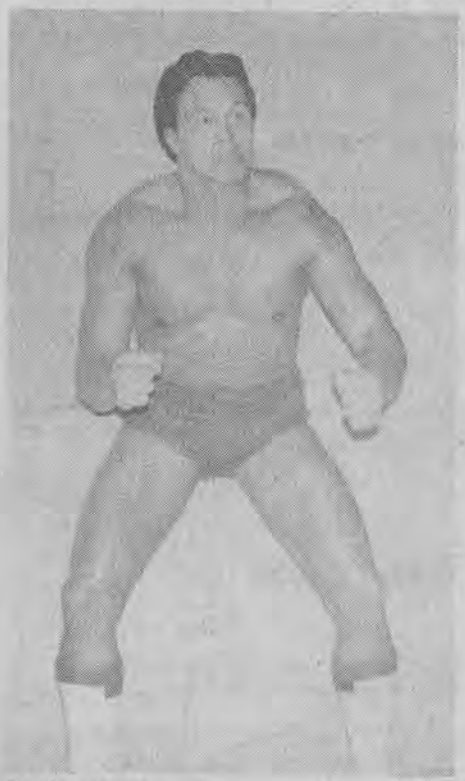
MEXICO Wrestling NEWS

PROMOTER FLORES CELEBRATES 50 YEARS IN WRESTLING

There are two large promotions very active in Mexico and Latin America. One is the U.W.A. which is headed by Francisco J. Flores who just celebrated his own fiftieth year of professional wrestling promotion with a big card the the El Toreo bull ring in Mexico City. On that card Andre the Giant defeated Canek via disq. in the main event. A six man tag team match saw Abdullah the Butcher & Tamba & Dr. Wagner defeat Dos Caras & Enrique Vera & El Solitario. This promotion is affiliated with the W.W.F. (Vince McMahon) and Perro Aguayo (recognized here as W.W.F. Lightheavyweight Champion) turned back the challenge of Gran Hamada. Others on the card were Ringo Mendoza, Villano III, El Signo, Negro Navarro, El Texano, Kato Kung Lee, Kung Fu, Black Man, Ultraman, Solar, Super Astro, Black Terry, J.L. Feliciano, and Lobo Rubio.



Enrique Vera

The only title change here since our last report saw Jose Negro Casas defeat Black Terry for the U.W.A. Lightweight Championship. Enrique Vera continues to hold the U.W.A. Heavyweight Championship. Fishman holds the U.W.A. Lightheavyweight title. El Signo holds the U.W.A. Jr. Lightheavyweight Championship and recently defended it against the challenge of Villano III. Hiroaki Hamada holds the U.W.A. Middleweight title and recently turned back the challenge of Lobo Rubio. Jose "Negro" Casas holds the U.W.A. Lightweight title, while Matematico the U.W.A. Welterweight Championship.

Others besides those already mentioned who appeared on U.W.A. cards in Mexico during the past two months include Anibal, Mano Negra, Sangre Chicana, Scorpio, Rudy Reyna, Bello Greco, Sergio Hermosa, Brillante, Rizado Ruiz, Blue Panther, Villano #4, Villano #1, Rokambole, Tigre Mariscal, Kuroneko, Khaos, Halcon Falcon, Cuchillo Honaga, Zandokan, Olimpico, Brazo De Oro, Brazo De Planta and El Brazo.

On the lady wrestling scene, Panterita Surena defeated Irma Aguliar to win the U.W.A. Ladies Championship. Other female stars active here recently include Reyna Gallegos, La Venus, La Briosa, Irma Gonzalez, Marina Rey, Chela Zalazar, Lola Gonzalez, and La Monsther.

Hulk Hogan and Ruddy Reyna (the perfumed dandy) during a recent visit to Mexico by the W.W.F. heavy champ.

The N.W.A. promotion is headed by Salvador Lutteroth Jr. and presents their big cards at the Arena Mexico in Mexico City. According to our reports Rayo de Jalisco recently defeated Pirata Morgan on one of the cards there to win the Mexican Heavyweight Championship. Ringo Mendoza holds the N.W.A. World's Lightheavyweight title, and Liz Mark holds the N.W.A. World's Welterweight title. Mocho Cota recently defeated Americo Rocco to win the N.W.A. World's Welterweight championship. Others featured include El Enfernero Jr. and Gran Chochise.

In Mexico many of the top stars are independent in that they work back and forth continually between the two promotions.

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BRITISH Wrestling NEWS

JACKIE ROBINSON WINS LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE CLAIM

By Evan R. Treharne

Tony St. Clair clamps a head scissors on Irishman Dave Finlay.

For six years Johnny Saint has defended his World lightweight crown against all comers, but went under to Jackie Robinson, thus the title is now in the keeping of a much younger man. Jackie Robinson is a cousin to the famous British heavyweight Billy Robinson, whom is now, and for many years wrestled in America and Japan. Billy seems happy over there, as it is very rarely he comes back over to England, even for short periods.

If ever a match was made to make one man look extra good and his opponent appear very bad, it certainly was so with Alan Dennison and Steve Speed. We all know Dennison is a hard, strong wrestler with many years experience, whereas Speed is still a novice.

Steve Speed shows a great deal of promise. He is young, very well built, and acrobatic as he proved against Dennison, but the latter a veteran and a champion several times during his long career. Speed struggled to post Dennison but Speed couldn't budge him, as his opponent just grinned at his efforts. This made Speed look foolish, but as most wrestling fans know, it is a very easy matter to push instead of pull then quickly pull and turn. In brief, however strong you are, it won't get you through a door marked push, however much you pull. No readers — Steve Speed is as smart between his ears as he is of smart appearance. I know him well enough. He has been here in my office, even before he had his first professional bout.

Dave Taylor tangled with Hurricane Harris, the large and tatooed Australian. Harris used hair-pulling and fists to the face so often, it became just a matter of course. The crowd got really worked up about this, but when Harris went over the top rope and counted out, the fans were very pleased. The top ropes were so slack it played a great part in the downfall of Harris, but nobody felt sorry for him.

A well fought match was between two fast and skilled wrestlers in Frank Cullen and Keith Martelli. Cullen came out on top with two falls to one, and ended in the fifth session. A contest very much enjoyed.

Frank Cullen again back in action when he faced Johnny Saint over six rounds. A good cleanly fought battle with each man scoring a fall. Saint scoring a crosspress in the sixth and last round to equalize. To force a draw with Johnny Saint, says a great deal as to the quality of wrestling produced by Cullen.

Len Hurst put up a great contest against Pete Roberts, with Roberts winning by 2 falls to 1 in the 8th and last round. A bout of changing fortunes, and although a great of canvas wrestling it was all very entertaining. Both went over the top ropes during the last round, but on regaining the ring, Roberts went on to win with the deciding pinfall.

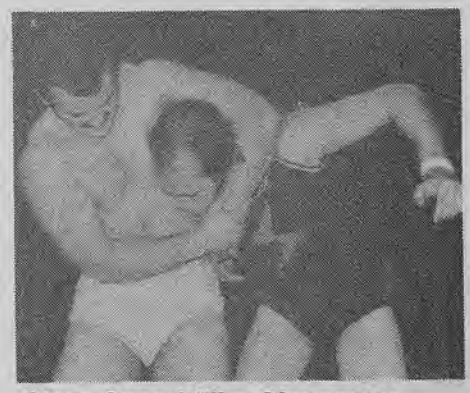
Busy, Dave Taylor fought a grand bout against Tony St. Clair, World heavyweight champion (British Version). The same title is also claimed by Wayne Bridges who challenged St. Clair, as he too produced such a world belt as worn by Tony St. Clair. The promoter faced with two such champions examined the belts and then announced one as being the World Wrestling Federation, and the other, the world Wrestling Association. Yet each got the belts from the same Joint Promoters, but they are now wrestling on Independent Circuits. John Quinn won his belt from Wayne Bridges, then lost it to Tony St. Clair. As the belt had now left Joint, another belt was made by Joint. This was won by Bridge and he too is now with Independent.

Tony St. Clair and Dave Taylor are well matched in height and weight, with St. Clair having the edge in years of experience. After 16 minutes, St. Clair got the winning folding press.

Steve Taylor, brother of Dave had a lively bout against Jack Rowlands. At the end of the 4th session they were on equal terms with a fall each. During the 5th Rowlands was injured from a posting and unable to continue.

Dave Finlay, the fighting Irishman, took the World mid-heavyweight title from holder Marty Jones, in a 15 contest. Both men received public warnings, as on the whole it was a very rough affair throughout.

Marty Jones was far heavier than normal, as he seemed to be carrying far too much weight around his waist. He fought hard, but more sluggishly than his usual self, and Finlay most unruly. To my mind neither man was up to his best standards.



Steve Speed (The Gloucester Gladiator) has a headlock on Mike Jordan, during a thrilling bout.

FRENCH Wrestling NEWS

GUY MERCIER HOLDS HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

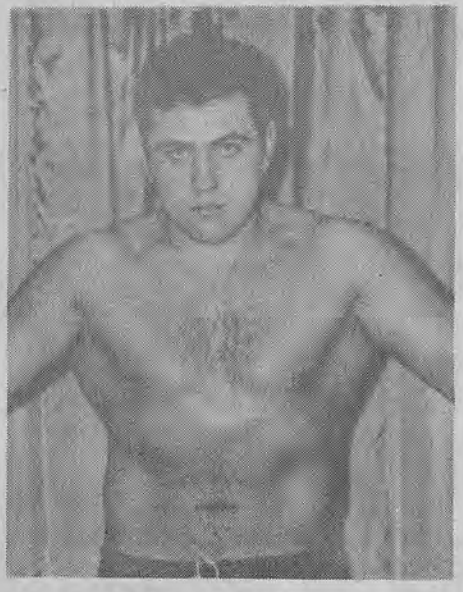
Der Henker

Guy Mercier, the former Olympic champion, is still the French Heavyweight Champion and also a claimant to the European crown. He recently turned back the challenge of Big Ted Lesage from Savoie in a match held in Rennes. He has signed to defend his title shortly against the challenge of the huge Serge Gaetan who has returned to France after a long stay in Germany.

Jacky de Montalier continues to hold the French Middleweight Championship. He recently turned back the challenge of Jacques Courgtoux who is known as "The Human Beast."

Jean Corn is another top heavyweight who claims the French title. He recently defeated Gil Leblond, but was ko'ed by Gypsi (Gitan Daniel Mansard).

Other top stars active in France recently include The Petit Prince (Lalberic D'Ericourt), Dave Larsen (Zarak or Zorba), Jacky Richard (The Mitraillette), and several stars from Spain: Argentina Cortez, Baulio Velita, Ricardo Sanchez, El Anibal, and Moucha.



Alexandre De Bordeaux

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In tag team action, Walter Bordes & Myster Fujji are considered the tops. Other top teams include Der Henker & The Masq, and The Golden Eagles (Rocco Lamban & Ignacio Esybaptso).

Lady wrestlers active here recently include Dany Pigalle, La Cortez, Lola Garcia, Bahia from Algeria, and Bat-Girl.

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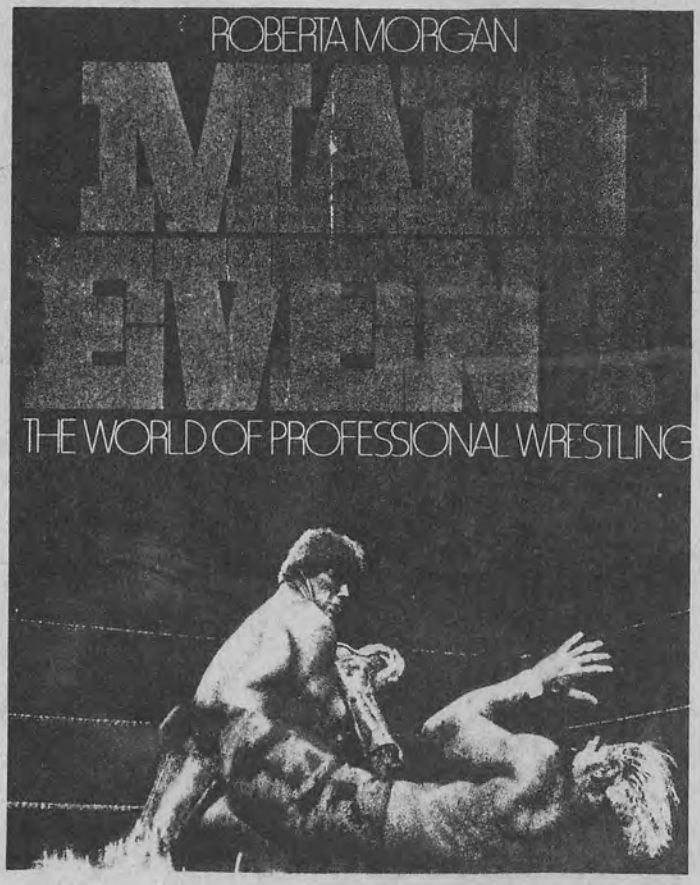

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EUROPEAN Wrestling NEWS

OTTO WANZ DEFEATS BIG JOHN STUDD

Otto Wanz battles Big John Studd before a capacity crowd.

Promoter Nicola Selenkowitsch's recently concluded 41-day tournament in Bremen, Germany, drew nearly 100,000 fans and was the highlight of the European wrestling season.

Among the competitors were Mike Shaw from the States, Canadian strongman Stephen Pearsay, and leading matmen from Britain including Tony St. Clair, Mal Kojak-Kirk, Marc Rocco, and "Loch Ness Monster" Giant Haystacks. Europe's most hated Rene Lasartesse and Bobby Gaetano from France, hopeful Klaus Wallas from Austria and the German aces Hans Roocks and Wolfgang Saturski. Otto Wanz, the number one wrestler in Europe, returned from Japan and entered the tourney during the last days. He came to defend his C.W.A. World's Heavyweight Championship against the challenge of Big John Studd from the U.S.A.

Otto Wanz acknowledges the cheers of the fans as he enters the ring in Bremen to defend his title.

The tournament actually had two tournaments within it for the European Middleweight Championship and for the European Heavyweight Championship. The lighter division saw German Wolfgang Saturski once more the popular winner. In the final bout he pinned Marc Rocco in 13 minutes. Rocco was also a real crowd pleaser and will return to Germany for future tournaments. Others in the top ranks of the middleweight division were Tony St.Clair, Stephan (Steve) Wright, Bobby Gaetano, and Steve Casey-Hoy. They were followed by Dimitar Dimitrov, Barry Douglas, Indio Guajaro, Caswell Martin, David Morgan, Rasputin II, and Johnny South.

In the heavyweight division Canadian Steve Pearsay was one of the favorites. He had just come off with a win at the Dortmund tournament over Hans Roocks and Wolfgang Saturski. Mike Shaw had ranked next at Dortmund. Pearsay had also ranked second in Oldenburg (behind Hans Roocks) and second in Essen (behind Giant Haystacks). But he was forced to leave the Bremen competition and sent to the hospital with a severely injured knee.

Another favorite was giant Haystacks. He was too heavy for most of his opponents and usually needed only a short time to pin — or better overwhelm — them.

Austrian Klaus Wallas, a former judo world champion of the armed forces, challenged Haystacks to a judo bout. The hall was sold out but the exhibition lasted only two minutes as Wallas became the winner with a stranglehold. Haystacks attacked the referee, and the enthusiastic crowd

Wanz has Studd in pain here as he attacks the legs of the American challenger who eventually went down in defeat.

honored Wallas, who is otherwise unpopular in Germany because of his arrogant performances in the ring. Before this time, Haystacks had never lost a match in Germany except to the great Otto Wanz who had pinned him. The angry Haystacks returned to Great Britain.

On the last evening of the tournament, Klaus Wallas was again the popular favorite as his opponent was Frenchman Rene Lasartesse. Wallas pinned Lasartesse after 29 minutes to become the European heavyweight Champion of the Bremen tournament.

The most outstanding bout on this last card was between Stephen Wright and his countryman David Morgan. Both now live in Germany. It was an exhibition of wrestling — clean, hard and technical — by two masters of scientific skill. Morgan won after ten minutes, with each minute worth the price of admission alone.

Over 10,000 fans filled the hall to capacity that night. The main event of the evening was a match between Europe's number one star, Otto Wanz from Austria, and Big John Studd from the U.S.A. — for the World's Heavyweight Championship (C.W.A. version) held by Wanz. Early in the bout Wanz was in trouble many times, and it looked like the American would be the winner. Round nine finally brought the decision. Wanz lifted his taller opponent and with a pile driver brought his opponent to the mat. The referee counted to ten but Studd remained unconscious. The winner Wanz was fair enough to say after the match that John Studd was one of the toughest opponents he had ever faced.

In the last issue of The Wrestling News I reported on the passing of two great former stars — Hans Schwarz and Fritz Kley. Now two more famous wrestlers of the pre war days have left us. Gottfried Gruneisen, the former world champion of the middleweight division, died at the age of 81 in his home in Zurich, Switzerland. And Bruno Mosig (of Bremen) who was a European Champion and considered one of the top middleweights of the thirties along with Kley and Gruneisen died several weeks later.

Next on tap are tournaments in Austria with a big one to be held in Graz — the home town of the great Otto Wanz. Annqunced as entered in that competition are Baron von Raschke, and Mad Dog Vachon.

REPORTER: Gerhard Schaefer.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT WORLD

Normally this is the final section written for each issue of The Wrestling News and in it we cover all of the smaller promotions that we have not already covered in the previous sections. Again we have plenty of that material to use, but we are going to change our format for this one issue.

Another thing we always try to make certain in each issue is to note the passings of the great stars of professional wrestling — those on which the sport was built into the major business that it is today. In this issue we have the very sad task of listing the passings of many stars. Because of the length of the obituaries we are going to postpone our coverage of the other promotions that normally would go in this section and instead publish some tributes to stars who have passed from the scene since our last issue. All promotions not covered in this issue will receive extended full coverage in The Wrestling News #110.

DAVID VON ERICH: We have a special tribute written by Karen Wrigley for this young star who passed from us so suddenly:

"When I die I may not go to Heaven
Cause I don't know if they let cowboys in
If they don't, then let me go to Texas
Cause Texas is as close as I've been...
— "Texas When I Die"

"Texas When I Die" had been David von Erich's theme song for months, but we didn't realize the irony of it until we opened our newspapers that gloomy day and read that he had died of heart failure (brought on by an undiagnosed case of acute enteritis) on February 10, 1984 just hours after competing in a match in Tokyo, Japan.

David, the second oldest son of legendary great, Fritz Von Erich, was only 25 years old. His sudden death shocked the entire wrestling world and especially the Dallas/Ft. Worth metroplex where he was raised and had wrestled extensively since his career began 6 short years ago.

A true Texan, David was always polite to his fans, and in the ring he'd let the opponent determine whether the bout would be scientific or rough. He knew the basics and he knew how to brawl. He could hold his own against anyone.

In his career he held many titles by himself and, also, with his brothers, Kevin and Kerry. Some of the titles he held over the years were the Texas State Title, Missouri State Title, All-Asian Tag Team Title, and the Six Man Tag Team Titles. At his death he was the holder of the Texas and United Nations Titles.

But to us in Texas he was more than just a wrestler, he was a young man with hopes and dreams — a modern day hero the children could emulate, and a person we, as adults, could identify with.

He was someone we knew who was struggling to become Number 1 and we watched and lived each match with him as he sought the top. We felt his anticipation as time and time again he fought the world champion — his joy as he pinned him — and his disappointment as he won but failed to gain the prize due to technicalities.

He was someone who gave us laughter — who spanked the mischievous valet "Sunshine" and forced Gorgeous Jim Garvin to do "an honest day's work" of digging fence post holes and hauling hay.

He was someone who shared his joys with us — whether it was letting us look at his prize winning quarter horse, Sissy, or allowing us a peek at a foal being born.

He came into our homes each weekend and told us in a no-nonsense way about how he would beat his foes and win not only for himself, but for us — the fans.

And, best of all, he showed us that families could still be close and show compassion for each other — and that brothers could compete for the same goal and still be friends.

David von Erich

We knew of his love for his parents and his pride and hope for his brothers, Mike and Chris.

We followed him through changes in his wrestling style — not really understanding — but knowing he needed the time. And we were thrilled when he returned to Texas, his fans, and the style of competition he knew to be right.

At matches, it was always easy to spot him — all 6'8" of him with his sequined Texas ring jacket and cowboy hat — bouncing down the aisle amid screams and cheers and bounding over the top rope into the ring.

Of all the brothers he was the most like his father, Fritz — both in looks and temperment. And like his father before him — David's "Iron Claw" put many an opponent to the mat for the 3-count, and even tamed the dreaded Ugandian warrior — Kimala.

Those of us present will always remember David's last match in Dallas. The building was packed with thousands of enthusiastic fans, as David Von Erich prepared to wrestle Michael Hayes for the United Nations Title.

Before the match with David's theme song booming out — "Texas When I Die" — David did a little two-step in the ring — then led the crowd in a hand clapping — boot stomping reverie of the music — that seemed to bring everyone closer together. It was David and us against his foe.

When David's hand was raised in victory we didn't know it would be our last time to ever see him, but looking back this match was a fine tribute to him, for he left us a winner; a man who won by playing fair, a man who was loved by many — and for those of us who remember and believe David Von Erich will never die.

JOE "THE CHAMP" PAZANKA: We have a special tribute to this man by Jim Melby:

The world lost a great man, and one of the finest athletes to ever lace up a pair of wrestling boots when Joe Pazandak recently passed away at the age of sixty nine.

Joe originally came into prominence while attending the University of Minnesota. He started a professional wrestling career under the eye of the guidance of famed Minneapolis promoter Tony Stecher while still in school at the U of M.

Joe "The Champ" Pazandak

His march towards the top of the wrestling world and his college education was interrupted by a stretch in the United States Army during World War II. Being one of the first men to enlist for military duty he joined up with Minnesota's 34th Division, and was assigned to the 175th Field Artillery. Sgt. Pazanadak's war record was a very distinguished one, spending more than 600 actual days in combat, and returning home with ribbons carrying six campaign stars and the invasion shield. He was a true leader and encouragement of bravery while fighting in more than thirty battles.

Even while in the army he trained and wrestled for the enjoyment of the troops against all comers. From the time he first reported to Camp Claybourne, La. right up to his discharge he had a $500.00 forfeit bond that he willingly posted for any type of possible challenge match.

When he returned to the professional ring wars in 1945 he embarked on a career that was to see him dominate the ring for the next fourteen years. He was a big drawing card not only throughout the U.S. and Canada, he was also one of the grapplers to really pack them in as far away as Australia.

By 1946 he was already regarded as one of the top pros. Of special interest in looking at Joe's career in retrospect is the fact that even though he never held recognition as World's Champion, he did have the nickname of

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"Champ." That title came as an end result of a lengthy ring stay in California where he had the "Beat The Champ" Title for a very extended time period. That title was one that was defended on a long running T.V. wrestling program. The nature of the title was for the man holding it to defend his crown against all comers. In most cases Joe met and beat two to four challengers, both pros and amateurs, week after week. Compiling one of the most outstanding won-loss records in the history of the sport, he went undefeated for a number of years before finally being upset by Johnny Valentine.

Pazandak is also remembered for training a number of champions. Current Minneapolis promoter Wally Karbo told me that Joe helped to develop World Champions Verne Gagne and Pat O'Connor. He also worked a great deal with the late Bill Kuusisto, who would have probably also wrestled his way to a world title if it hadn't been for an unfortunate ring injury that he suffered in Australia.

It is ironic that Joe never won the belt himself. After O'Connor and Gagne became champions they found themselves in the position of having to face their old teacher, and needless to say, he gave them some of their most anxious ring moments.

Although he preferred to wrestle in singles matches Joe had much success in tag team conflicts also. His favorite partner was Mr. Moto of Japan, but late in his career he also did well with Aldo Bogni and Bill Wright (Billy Red Cloud), another of his ring proteges, at his side.

A superb defensive wrestler, Joe offered $1,000.00 to any man who could defeat him within the first thirty minutes of a match. When he came into the ring he had a habit of snapping his towel while waiting for his introduction. It was a sure sign that Joe was ready for action, and his hapless opponent was due for a very rough night in the ring. He wasn't popoular with the majority of the fans because of his aggressive ring attitude, and due to the fact that his ability immediately made his opponents the underdog, but no one ever complained about Pazandak's matches not being very exciting. He was also one of the very first wrestlers to make effective use of stabbing elbow thrusts, that although they are legal, are also very brutal.

Joe retired from the ring in 1960 after being injured in an automobile accident. He led a very successful business career after quitting the ring. A story in The Minneapolis Star shortly before his death, that was written by his daughter Carol related, that he didn't give up hope after suffering a stroke while shoveling snow. One of the first things he did upon his return home was to order an exercise bike to be delivered so that he could get back in shape.

Joe is missed by all of us who had the opportunity to know and work with him, and the many thousands of fans who were thrilled by him during his classic matches of the forties and fifties. He is survived by his wife Helen; son Joseph Jr.; daughters Carol Burmaster, Lois Abraham, Joanne Walvatne, Cathy Liff, and Katryn Pazandak; 12 grandchildren; brother Bruce; sisters, Lucille Pazandak and Ruth Sullivan.

LORD ATHOL LAYTON: This special tribute was written by Doug Chambers:

The entire sporting world was shocked to learn of the sudden death of Lord Athol Layton on January 18, 1984. Mr. Layton succumbed to a heart attack at the age of 53, at his home in Mississauga, Ontario. His tragic death brought an end to a fascinating life that encompassed a 28-year wrestling career that included 3,500 matches; a broadcasting career that covered wrestling shows in

"Lord" Athol Layton

Cleveland, Toronto, Windsor-Detroit, Sydney, Australia, and Hong Kong; a business career; and many years of service to a large number of charities.

Layton was born in the Balmain district of Sydney, Austraia, and was trained as an amateur boxer and wrestler in his youth. He was the Australian amateur heavyweight champion, and served for five years in the Australian Army during World War Two, where he rose to the rank of regimental sergeant-major. After the war he gave up a most promising retailing career to train as a professional wrestler, and in 1948 he made his pro debut in Singapore. For the next two years he gained experience in the Far East and in England.

He was brought to Toronto in 1950 by promoter Frank Tunney, and went over so well with the fans that he eventually settled in Toronto with his family, and embarked on a phenomenally successful wrestling career that took him throughout Canada and the United States, Japan, Australia, and Hawaii. Besides wrestling and working out in the gym he was a keen swimmer and tennis player. In 1959 he started his TV broadcasting career in Cleveland, Ohio, and over the next few years he had three separate programs running in Cleveland, Detroit, and Toronto.

In 1970 Layton returned to his native Australia to act as a public relations man, TV broadcaster, and sometime wrestler for the Barnett promotional office that covered Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, and smaller towns. For the next five years he returned for several months each season to combine his duties with the promotion with a welcome return to his homeland to visit friends and relatives. His popular Australian television tapings were also shown in Hong Kong to promote grappling shows that were shown there.

Lord Layton retired from the ring in 1976 and the following year gave up his television work to take a position as National Promotions Director for Bacardi Run in Canada. He continued his work with various charitable organizations and was always in demand as a popular after-dinner speaker.

Layton was a Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine Club, a member and sergeant-at-arms of the Variety Club Tent 28, and on the board of governors of Variety Village, a director of both St. Alban's Boys' Club and the Cerebral Palsy Foundation, a member

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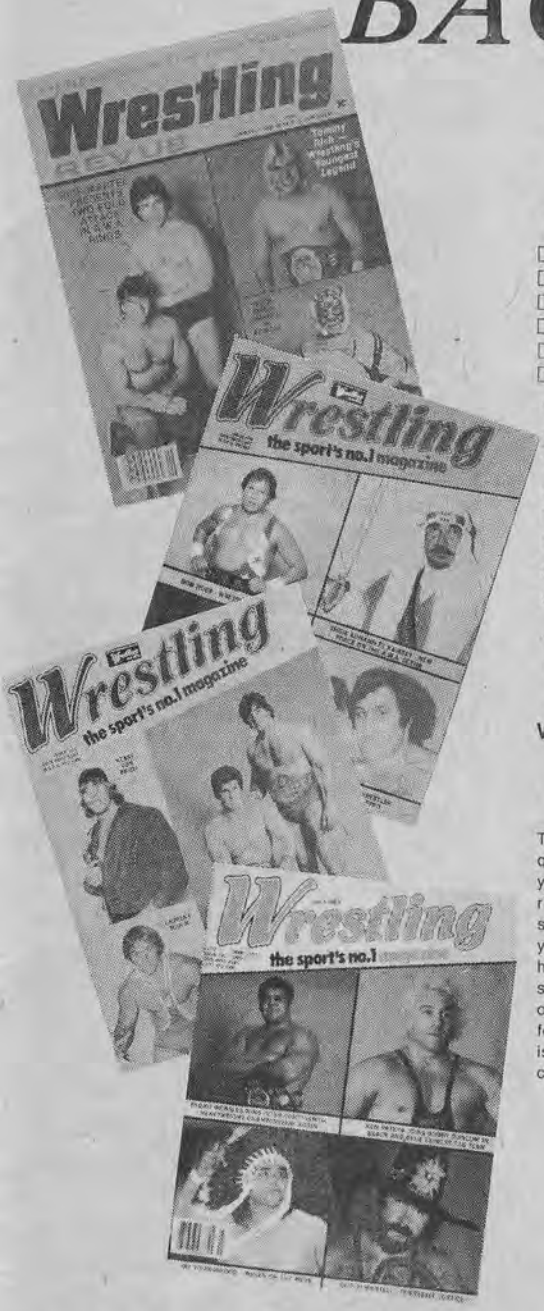

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of the Showmen's League of America, and both he and his old friend Whipper Billy Watson were members of the Ontario Advisory Council for the Disabled. These were just some of the organizations he aided, and last year he received the Ontario Medal for good Citizenship for his services to the underpriviledged over the years.

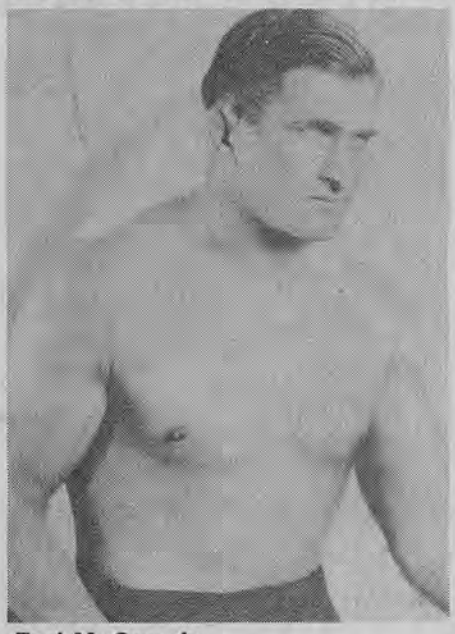
Helping those less fortunate than himself was one of the true joys of his life and he certainly deserved his title of "The Lord of the Ring."

Lord Athol Layton is survived by his wife of 44 years, Leah, sons John and Christopher and grandchildren Michelle and Jesse.

EARL McCREADY: Doug Chambers sent us along the following clipping concerning the death of this great champion:

Earl McCready, 75, was wrestling great

EDMONTON (CP) — Earl McCready, the former Olympic and professional wrestler who died Tuesday in Seattle, is the only Canadian to be a member of the Oklahoma Hall of



Earl McCready

Fame, the U.S. Wrestling Hall of Fame and Canada's Sports Hall of Fame.

McCready, who competed in the 1928 Olympics and won a gold medal at the first Commonwealth Games in Hamilton in 1930, died of a heart attack after a 40-year fight with diabetes. He was 75.

He was named to Canada's Sports Hall of Fame on Sept. 4, 1967.

Born June 15, 1908, in Lansdowne, Ont., and raised in Bures, Sask. McCready spent his early years as a school teacher in Querrin, Sask.

While attending Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical University, he won the Valley Games trophy, emblematic of the southwestern states' championship.

In 1930, he won every amateur title possible after holding the U.S. intercollegiate title three times and the Dominion title in 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1930. He later won the U.S. national title and the British Empire crown for a second time.

EL SANTO: Antonion Camargo notified us of the passing of El Santo, the greatest idol of wrestling fans in Mexico. He died following a heart attack suffered while working at a neighborhood theatre. El Santo was both a great athlete and also a very successful actor in his native Mexico. He was not only the greatest masked star ever to come out of Mexico, which is saying quite a bit in a country where most wrestlers wear masks, but in a poll conducted last year during the celebration of the first fifty years of professional wrestling in Mexico he was virtually the unanimous choice as the most popular wrestler in the history of the sport in that country.

Rube Wright

RUBE WRIGHT: We also received the news of the death of Rube Wright in Sprague River, Oregon. Rube was the brother of the late Jim "Riot Call" Wright and carved out quite a reputation for himself under the name Lu Kim in the later part of his career.

Danny "Bulldog" Plechas

DANNY "BULLDOG" PLECHAS died at the age of 77 after a long illness at his home in Ft. Worth Texas. He was a protege of the great Dusek clan

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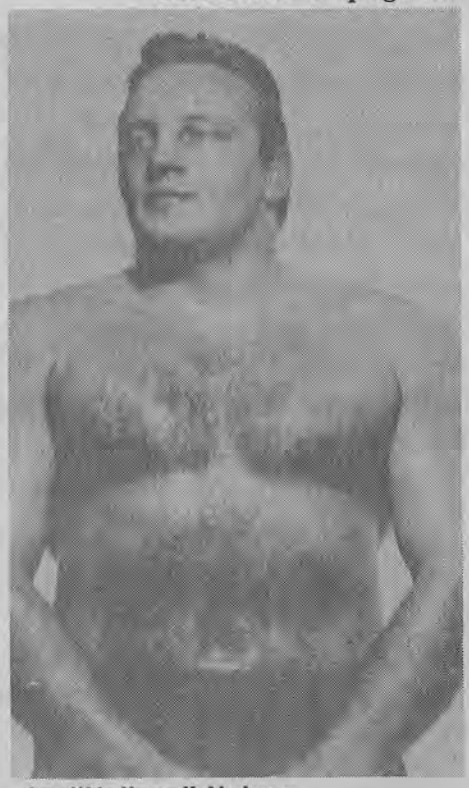

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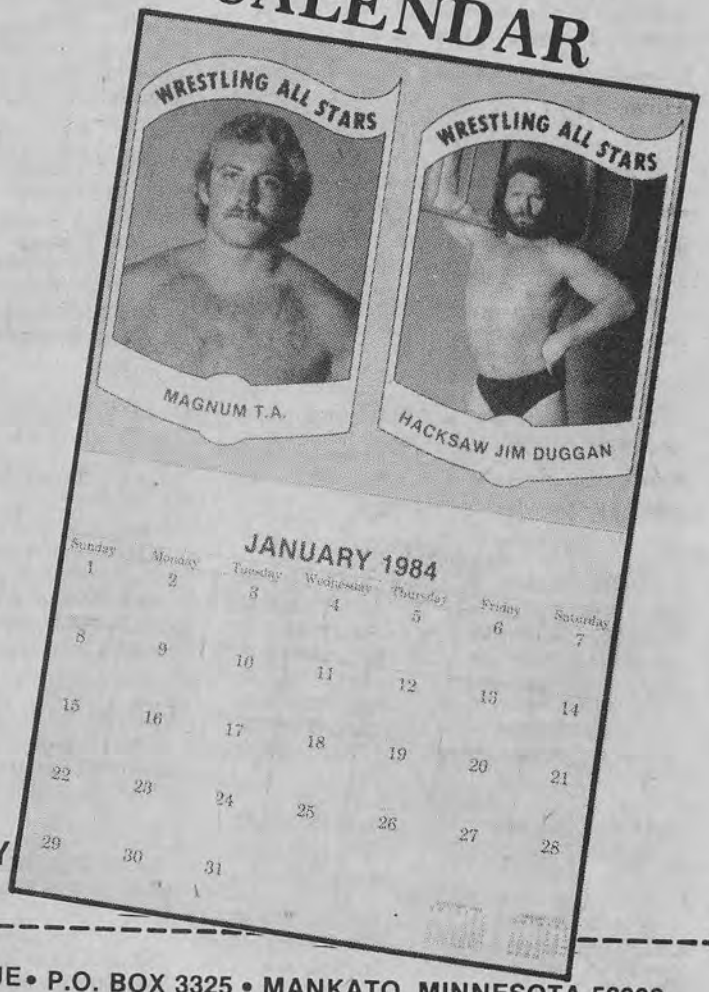

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T.V. WRESTLING GUIDE

In this section of The Wrestling News we attempt to list every television wrestling program in North America. Although we have a fairly complete listing, as television schedules change constantly, it is impossible for us to be completely up to date. We list the programs in the states where the station is located, although in many cases the area covered by a station extends outside its state.

This is especially true of stations that are carried on cable television systems which now serve over 20% of the homes in the United States. These cable systems often bring in stations from far outside the area that feature wrestling, such as the WTBS Atlanta and WOR New York stations that have twice weekly television programs. There are also special cable networks that have wrestling programs on their schedule, including the USA network which features wrestling from Madison Square Garden and the Capitol Centre on an irregular basis, and the Prism network which features wrestling from The Spectrum. All of these major cable wrestling programs listed so far, except the Atlanta one, are under the control of Titan Sports (Vince McMahon Jr.) who is attempting to expand his operation to promote wrestling throughout the United States. We are not a source of information as to which cable systems carry wrestling programs. You will have to check directly with your local cable systems available in your area to find out which stations are available in your area.

We do ask help from all of our readers in keeping this listing as up to date as possible. We request that anyone who notices errors or omissions in this schedule to send us that information so that we can make corrections in future issues. Please send any television information you have to: TV Editor, The Wrestling News, P.O. Box 3325, Mankato, Minnesota 56002.

ALABAMA
5-WKRG, Mobile ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
18-WDHN, Dothan ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
48-WAFF, Huntsville ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
15-WOWL, Florence ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
21-WTTO, Birmingham ..... Sat., 9:00 A.M.
6-WBRC, Birmingham .... Sun., 12:30 A.M.
4-WTVY, Dothan ..... Sat., 5:30 P.M.
20-WCOV, Montgomery ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.

ARIZONA
15-KNXV, Phoenix ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
3-KTVK, Phoenix ..... Sun., 1:00 P.M.

ARKANSAS
4-KARK, Little Rock ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
29-KTVP, Fayetteville ..... Sun., 1:30 A.M.
29-KTVP, Fayetteville ..... Sun., 12:30 A.M.

CALIFORNIA
6-XETV, San Diego ..... Sun., 1:00 P.M.
9-KHJ, Los Angeles ..... Sat., 9:30 A.M.
34-KMEX, Los Angeles ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
19-KCSO, Modesta ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
20-KTZO, San Francisco ... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
21-KFTV, Hanford ..... Sat., 11:30 A.M.
31-KRBK, Sacramento ..... Sat., 10:00 P.M.
26-KTSF, San Francisco ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.

COLORADO
31-KDVR, Denver ..... Sun., 10:00 A.M.
5-KOAA, Pueblo ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.

CONNECTICUT
20-WTXX, Waterbury ..... Sat., 10:00 A.M.
30-WVIT, Hartford ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
20-WDCA, Washington .... Sat., 11:00 A.M.

FLORIDA
6-WCIX, Miami ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
20-WBBH, Fort Myers ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
44-WTOG, St. Petersburg .... Sat., 7:00 P.M.
28-WFTS, Tampa ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
40-WXLT, Sarasota ..... Sun., 12:00 P.M.
2-WESH, Orlando ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
9-WFTV, Orlando ..... Sat., 1:30 P.M.
12-WTLV, Jacksonville ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
17-WJKS, Jacksonville ..... Sun., 1:00 P.M.
30-WAWS, Jacksonville .... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
27-WECA, Tallahassee ..... Sun., 5:00 P.M.
34-WTVX, Ft. Pierce ..... Sun., 1:15 A.M.
20-WCJB, Gainesville ..... Mon., 12:00 A.M.
12-WPEC, West Palm Beach . Sat., 1:30 P.M.
15-WPMI, Pensacola ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.

GEORGIA
17-WTBS, Atlanta ..... Sun., 7:05 P.M.
46-WANX, Atlanta ..... Sat., 9:00 A.M.
6-WJBF, Augusta ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
41-WCWB, Macon ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
11-WTOC, Savannah ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
9-WRBL, Columbus ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
38-WYEA, Columbus ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.
38-WYEA, Columbus ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.

HAWAII
13-KIKU, Honolulu ..... Fri., 11:00 P.M.

ILLINOIS
26-WCIU, Chicago ..... Sun., 12:00 P.M.
26-WCIU, Chicago ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
13-WREX, Rockford ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
3-WSIL, Harrisburg ..... Fri., 11:40 P.M.
20-WICD, Champaign ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
55-WRSP, Springfield ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
32-WFLD, Chicago ..... Sat. 8:30 A.M.
60-WPWR, Chicago ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.

INDIANA
55-WFFT, Ft. Wayne ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
6-WRTV, Indianapolis ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
25-WEHT, Evansville ..... Sat., 11:50 P.M.
7-WTVW, Evansville ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.

IOWA
4-KTIV, Sioux City ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
13-WHO, Des Moines ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.

KANSAS
2-KCKT, Great Bend ..... Sun., 1:00 A.M.
3-KARD, Wichita ..... Sun., 1:00 A.M.
11-KGLD, Garden City ..... Sun., 1:00 A.M.
27-KTSB, Topeka ..... Sun., 10:00 A.M.

KENTUCKY
57-WKYH, Hazard ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
13-WBKO, Bowling Green .. Sat., 11:00 A.M.
3-WAVE, Louisville ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
18-WLEX, Lexington ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
41-WDRB, Louisville ..... Sat., 11:30 A.M.
62-WTVQ, Lexington ..... Sat., 11:30 P.M.
27-WKYT, Lexington ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
61-WTSF, Ashland ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.

LOUISIANA
9-WAFB, Baton Rouge ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
10-KLFY, Lafayette ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
5-KALB, Alexandria ..... Sun., 9:00 A.M.
26-WGNO, New Orleans .... Sun., 5:00 P.M.
26-WGNO, New Orleans .... Sat., 11:00 P.M.
3-KTBS, Shreveport ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
10-KTVE, Monroe ..... Sat., 10:15 P.M.
7-KPLC, Lake Charles ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
6-WDSU, New Orleans .... Sun., 10:30 P.M.

MAINE
13-WGAN, Portland ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
5-WABI, Bangor ..... Sun., 12:15 A.M.

MARYLAND
45-WBFF, Baltimore ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
54-WNUV, Baltimore ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
47-WMDT, Salisbury ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.

MASSACHUSETTS
68-WQTV, Boston ..... Sat., 10:00 A.M.
25-WXNE, Boston ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
56-WLVI, Boston ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
22-WWLP, Springfield ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.

MICHIGAN
31-WIHT, Ann Arbor ..... Sat., 9:30 A.M.
25-WEYI, Saginaw ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.

MINNESOTA
6-KAAL, Austin ..... Sun., 11:45 P.M.
9-KMSP, Minneapolis .... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
9-KMSP, Minneapolis ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
7-KCMT, Alexandria ..... Sat., 11:30 P.M.
41-KXLI, St. Cloud ..... Sun., 6:00 P.M.

MISSISSIPPI
12-WJTV, Jackson ..... Sat., 1:30 P.M.
13-WLOX, Biloxi ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
9-WTVA, Tupelo ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
6-WABG, Greenwood ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.

MISSOURI
41-KSHB, Kansas City ..... Sun., 8:00 A.M.
11-KPLR, St. Louis ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
17-KCBJ, Columbia ..... Sun., 12:15 A.M.
2-KQTV, St. Joseph ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
30-KDNL, St. Louis ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
30-KDNL, St. Louis ..... Sun., 10:00 A.M.

MONTANA
10-KFAC, Butte ..... Sat., 3:30 P.M.

NEVADA
13-KTVN, Las Vegas ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.

NEW HAMPSHIRE
9-WMUR, Manchester ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.

NEW JERSEY
41-WXTV, Patterson ..... Sat. 1:00 P.M.
47-WNJU, Newark ..... Mon., 11:30 P.M.
47-WNJU, Newark ..... Fri., 11:30 P.M.

NEW MEXICO
14-KSMW, Albuquerque .... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
13-KGGM, Albuquerque ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
12-KMCC, Clovis ..... Sun., 3:00 P.M.
12-KIVA, Farmington ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.

NEW YORK
9-WOR, New York City .... Sun., 12:00 A.M.
9-WOR, New York City .... Sat., 10:00 A.M.
34-WMGC, Binghamton .... Sat., 11:00 P.M.
29-WUTV, Buffalo ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
67-WSNL, Smithtown ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
31-WUHF, Rochester ..... Sun., 7:00 P.M.
20-WUTR, Utica ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
43-WXXA, Albany ..... Sun., 8:00 P.M.

NORTH CAROLINA
36-WRET, Charlotte ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
13-WLOS, Ashville ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.
14-WHKY, Hickory ..... Sat., 11:00 P.M.
14-WHKY, Hickory ..... Sat., 11:30 A.M.
48-WGGT, Greensboro ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.
12-WXII, Winston, Salem ... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
7-WITN, Washington ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
5-WRAL, Raleigh ..... Sat., 11:30 P.M.
12-WCTI, New Berne ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.
12-WCTI, New Berne ..... Sat., 12:30 A.M.
36-WPCQ, Charlotte ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
3-WWAY, Wilmington ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
11-WTVD, Durham ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
40-WKFT, Fayetteville ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.

NORTH DAKOTA
15-KVNJ, Fargo ..... Sat., 11:00 P.M.
15-KVNJ, Fargo ..... Sun., 1:00 P.M.

OHIO
9-WTOV, Stubenville ..... Sun., 3:00 P.M.
23-WAKR, Akron ..... Sun., 2:30 P.M.
22-WKEF, Dayton ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
67-WOAC, Canton ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
67-WOAC, Canton ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.
61-WCLQ, Cleveland ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
24-WDHO, Toledo ..... Sun., 11:35 P.M.
11-WTOL, Toledo ..... Sat., 1:30 A.M.
9-WCPO, Cincinnati ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
33-WYTV, Youngstown ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.

OKLAHOMA
2-KJRH, Tulsa ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
34-KGMC, Oklahoma City ... Sat., 6:00 P.M.

OREGON
12-KPTV, Portland ..... Sat., 11:00 P.M.

PENNSYLVANIA
22-WPTT, Pittsburgh ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
22-WPTT, Pittsburgh ..... Thur., 10:00 P.M.
22-WDAU, Scranton ..... Fri., 11:30 P.M.
29-WTAF, Philadelphia ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
17-WPHL, Philadelphia ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
19-WJNL, Johnstown ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.
69-WFMZ, Allentown ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
69-WFMZ, Allentown ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.

SOUTH CAROLINA
4-WFBC, Greenville ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
2-WCBD, Charleston ..... Sat., 11:15 P.M.
4-WCIV, Charleston ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
19-WLTX, Columbia ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
25-WOLO, Columbia ..... Sat., 11:45 P.M.
13-WBTW, Florence ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
15-WPDE, Florence ..... Sat., 11:15 P.M.

TENNESSEE
3-WRCB, Chattanooga ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
3-WRCB, Chattanooga ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
17-WZTV, Nashville ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
5-WTVF, Nashville ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
24-WPPY, Memphis ..... Sat., 9:00 P.M.
10-WBIR, Knoxville ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
11-WJHL, Johnson City ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
55-WCPT, Crossville ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.
5-WMC, Memphis ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.
7-WBBJ, Jackson ..... Sat., 10:30 P.M.
26-WTVK, Knoxville ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
55-WCPT, Crossville ..... Sun., 4:00 P.M.
55-WCPT, Crossville ..... Mon., 8:00 P.M.
24-WPTY, Memphis ..... Sat., 10:00 A.M.
61-WRIP, Chattanooga ..... Sat., 1:30 P.M.

TEXAS
39-KHTV, Houston ..... Sat., 10:30 P.M.
39-KHTV, Houston ..... Sun., 9:00 A.M.
28-KORO, Corpus Christi ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
41-KWEX, San Antonio ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
41-KWEX, San Antonio ..... Sun., 10:00 A.M.
5-KENS, San Antonio ..... Sat., 1:00 A.M.
4-KMOL, San Antonio ..... Sat., 12:00 A.M.
11-KTVT, Fort Worth ..... Sat., 10:30 P.M.
39-KXTX, Dallas ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
39-KXTX, Dallas ..... Sun., 6:00 P.M.
4-KJAC, Port Arthur ..... Sat., 11:30 A.M.
4-KJAC, Port Arthur ..... Sun., 12:00 A.M.
24-KVUE, Austin ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
4-KDBC, El Paso ..... Sun., 10:30 P.M.
10-KFDA, Amarillo ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.
28-KAMC, Lubbock ..... Sun., 4:00 P.M.
2-KMID, Midland ..... Sat., 11:00 P.M.
4-KGBT, Harlingen ..... Sat, 11:30 P.M.
19-KXIX, Victoria ..... Sat., 1:30 P.M.
6-KRIS, Corpus Christi ... Sun., 12:00 A.M.
6-KRIS, Corpus Christi ... Sun., 10:00 A.M.

UTAH
4-KTVX, Salt Lake City ..... Sun., 9:30 A.M.
20-KSTU, Salt Lake City ..... Sat., 9:00 P.M.

VIRGINIA
5-WCYB, Bristol ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
33-WTVZ, Norfolk ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.
6-WTVR, Richmond ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
6-WTVR, Richmond ..... Sun., 12:30 A.M.
29-WVIR, Charlottesville ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
10-WSLS, Roanoke ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
13-WSET, Lynchburg ..... Sat., 11:15 P.M.
56-WNVC, Falls Church ..... Sat., 4:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON
13-KCPQ, Tacoma ..... Sat., 11:00 A.M.

WEST VIRGINIA
4-WOAY, Oak Hill ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
3-WSAZ, Huntington ..... Sat., 1:30 P.M.
23-WVAH, Hurricane ..... Sun., 5:00 P.M.
23-WVAH, Hurricane ..... Sun., 11:30 P.M.
6-WVVA, Bluefield ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.

WISCONSIN
24-WCGV, Milwaukee ..... Sun., 12:00 P.M.
55-W55AS, Milwaukee ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.
13-WEAU, Eau Claire ..... Sun., 11:00 P.M.
26-WLRE, Green Bay ..... Sun., 10:00 A.M.
5-WFRV, Green Bay ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.

ALBERTA
7-CFAC, Lethbridge ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
2-CFAE, Calgary ..... Sat., 3:30 P.M.

BRITISH COLUMBIA
6-CHEK, Victoria ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
8-BCTV, Vancouver ..... Sat., 3:00 P.M.
21-CKVU, Vancouver ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.

MANITOBA
5-CKY, Winnipeg ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
5-CKY, Winnipeg ..... Sat., 12:30 P.M.
12-CKND, Winnipeg ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.
12-CKND, Winnipeg ..... Sun., 1:00 P.M.
13-CABE, Winnipeg ..... Sun., 10:30 P.M.
13-CABE, Winnipeg ..... Mon., 7:00 P.M.

NEW BRUNSWICK
9-CKCW, Moncton ..... Sat., 7:00 P.M.

ONTARIO
11-CHCH, Hamilton ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
3-CKVR, Barrie ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
6-CJOH, Ottawa ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
9-CBET, Windsor ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
42-CKCO, Kitchener ..... Sat., 2:00 P.M.
47-CMTV, Toronto ..... Sun., 2:30 P.M.

QUEBEC
7-CHLT, Sherbrooke ..... Sun., 10:30 A.M.
12-CFCF, Montreal ..... Sat., 5:00 P.M.
10-CFEM, Abitibi ..... Sun., 11:00 A.M.

PUERTO RICO
4-WAPA, San Juan ..... Sat., 12:00 P.M.
4-WAPA, San Juan ..... Sat., 1:00 P.M.
7-WLUZ, San Juan ..... Sat., 6:00 P.M.

MEXICO
4-XEW, Mexico City ..... Fri., 10:30 P.M.

Larry Zbyszko and Killer Tim Brooks.

THE WRESTLING FANS NEWS

FAN CLUBS — SWAP 'N SELL — PEN PALS

Welcome again to the final, but in many ways, the most important section of The Wrestling News. As the title indicates, this is the section for you the wrestling fans. Our entire magazine is prepared for wrestling fans — in fact we have long considered our magazine itself in many ways of being the largest fan club for professional wrestling in the world. We feel positive about the sport and its fans and we encourage any and all to participate in our publication as reporters. We are the only publication that does that and also the only one that has any section like "The Wrestling Fans News."

The purpose of this section is to provide services for all wrestling fans. We try to provide a market place for collectors of wrestling material, to provide a comprehensive listing of all active wrestling fan clubs and a review of their publications, and to provide a pen pal section to help fans find correspondents who share their professional wrestling interests.

All of these advertisements in "The Wrestling Fans News" are provided at no charge. Anyone who is interested in placing an advertisement should send us a S.A.S.E. (self addressed stamped envelope) and we will be happy to send you an application. We do reserve the right to reject any advertisement for any reason without explanation. We also reserve the right to condense, delete parts of, or change the wording of any advertisement as we see fit.

We also want to again explain that we do not guarantee in any way any of the advertisements printed here. Although probably well over 90% of the individuals listed here provide the products they offer for the prices they list and deal honestly with all, we always include this warning notice in each issue of The Wrestling News because we want all to be aware of the fact up front — that any dealings you have with anyone listed here are at your own risk. We want to stress very strongly that we do not endorse any of the products or publications or offers that are made by people who advertise in our magazine.

The Wrestling News does not knowingly accept any fraudulent, misleading, or objectionable advertising. Liability for the content of all advertising and for any claims that may arise therefrom is the responsibility of the advertisers and not the publisher. Readers are urged to report objectionable experiences to the publisher and also to postal authorities in charge of mail fraud. We will provide a copy of the individual's application and also any other information we are able to in the case of any complaint, and we will fully cooperate with postal authorities in any investigation.

In short, we provide this service free at no charge to anyone. We make no guarantees for any individual listed here, so if you choose to deal with someone be fully aware in advance that you are doing so at your own risk.

You may wonder why we stress all this so strongly in each issue of The Wrestling News. That is because there is no way we can guarantee the honesty, truthfulness, and future ability of all who advertise to produce what they promise. The reason we have kept a fans section in our magazines when all other publishers in the field have dropped those sections is that we know this is a section that many of our readers want, and our goal here at The Wrestling News is always to give the readers what they want. As we have stated before, we have found that the vast majority of those who place advertisements in The Wrestling Fans News are completely honest. In the rare cases when there are complaints concerning individuals listed here we will report on them as well, making no judgements concerning the complaints, and we will write directly to both sides in a dispute and try to help settle the matter.

WRESTLING FANS CONVENTION

We have received more details from Jim Melby, former editor of this magazine, on the wrestling fans convention that he, Marie Carlson, and Mick Karch are going to run this summer. The dates have been set. **The convention will be held in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul on Saturday, June 9th and Sunday, June 10th, 1984.**

On Saturday they will have a special screening of "The Wrestler" movie that starred Vern Gagne, Ed Asner, and many top wrestlers. Also they will have a flea market for wrestling fans that day.

On Sunday, June 10th they will have a banquet featuring many top wrestling celebrities, and then on that night there will be a big all star wrestling card held at the Civic Center in St. Paul, Minnesota. The fees they plan to charge are $5.00 for the screening of "The Wrestler" movie, $2.00 for admission to the Flea Market (or a $20.00 fee if you wish to rent a table at the Flea Market), and $15.00 for the wrestling banquet. I guess that fans will also have to purchase their own tickets for the wrestling card in St. Paul Sunday night though there may be a special section for convention fans there, I don't have that information yet. For complete information and registration form write to: **Mick Karch, 8216 West 30½ Street**, #307, St. Louis Park, MN 55426.

FAN CLUBS

The fan clubs that are listed in The Wrestling Fans News have all agreed to provide us with copies of all bulletins and material that they sell to members who join their clubs. We attempt to make this section a consumer's report of the fan clubs of professional wrestling and to review, for the benefit of our readers who are interested in joining clubs, the materials that the club provides — also to report on how well the club is doing as far as giving the members what is promised on the schedule promised. We also ask that any fan club president who for whatever circumstances changes his bulletin's promised schedule or the material offered by his club, or who decides to discontinue his club — to write us with an explanation which we can then pass on to our readers.

We also want to stress that as far as the content of fan club bulletins is concerned — the opinions expressed in them are those of the individuals who publish them and not necessarily those of The Wrestling News. We give free advertising to every fan clubber who agrees to the above terms, not just to those who agree with us completely in every opinion they have. Our listing of new fan club material in this issue covers the period of October 20th to December 8th and we will review in this issue all fan club material received here between those dates. Enough for the introduction — now let's get into the listing of fan clubs for this issue.

Shawn Marin, 18 Hawthorne, Struthers, OH 44471 sent us issue #6 of his WWF Fieldhouse fan club bulletin this month. It consisted of 26 letter size pages, with in depth reports, with photos, on the WWF card held on December 15th in Struthers — also some news and results from other areas. Shawn charges $1.25 per bulletin for this club and promises to put out a new issue after each wrestling card in his city. He also announced that he is discontinuing his Southwest fan club which we reviewed in our last bulletin, so he again has only one club going now.

Donna Crawford, P.O. Box 363, Pleasant Valley, VA 22848 sent us issue #14 of her Ric Flair fan club bulletin this month. It consisted of twenty letter size pages, packed with news, pictures, clippings, and results on the N.W.A. Heavyweight Champion. The photos were especially well reproduced for a fan club bulletin. Donna charges $10.00 per year for this club and in return promises those who join that she will send them a membership card, a 5x7 autographed color picture of Ric, a letter from Ric welcoming them to the club, and four bulletins during the year. This #14 was the first bulletin for this club we received this year, after receiving all four issues on schedule in 1983.

Richard Lee Fogel, 4348 North Chestnut Street, Apt. 213, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907 sent us issue #3 of his Battles Royal fan club bulletin this month. It consisted of six letter size pages. Coverage in the main was on A.W.A. Denver wrestling, and on television shows he viewed from other areas. Richard had previously promised us (and members) a new fan club bulletin each month, but his first issue was received in August and issue #2 was dated in Octoer and received here in November while issue #3 dated December was received here in January, so apparently he has changed his schedule. He charges 75¢ plus a legal size S.A.S.E. for a single issue, or $1.00 without the S.A.S.E.

Jay F. Steele, 113 Bonvue Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15214 sent us issue #6 (of volume 2) of his Mat Results fan club bulletin this month. It consisted of 26 pages packed full of results — Jay does one of the most complete jobs of covering all of the major areas — ditto printed on letter size pages. Mr. Steele charges $1.50 or a single issue or $8.00 for eight issues. He promised a new issue each month.

Steve Helwagen, 605 Edgewood Drive, Circleville, Ohio 43113 sent us issue #26 of his Eastern Wrestling fan club bulletin. It consisted of 11 legal size pages packed full of news, reports, profiles, and results. This issue included a review of the year 1983. Steve charges $1.00 plus a 20¢ stamp for one issue, $3.00 in either stamps or money for three issues, or $5.50 in stamps, money or a combination of the two for the next six issues. Those who want to receive their issues inside envelopes must send $1.00 for each plus a S.A.S.E. for each.

Neil Drummond, #11 — 2540 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V7N 3H8 sent us two issues of his Pacific Coast fan club bulletin since our last report. The November issue consisted of twelve 5½ by 8½ pages with concentrated coverage on wrestling in western Canada, plus news and results from other areas as well. The December issue consisted of 16 letter size pages, this larger issue had a complete review of wrestling results from three promotions — Tomko, Hart, and Owens promotions — in the Northwest 1983.

Neil promises a new bulletin each month and charges 75¢ plus 37¢ for postage (a total of $1.12) per issue. He also has lists of past results from Vancouver (1973 to 1983), Seattle (1975 to 1983), and Toronto (1976 to 1980) available at a cost of $2.00 for each year per city, or $10.00 for a total of ten years of past results.

Barbi Barker, 410 Dinwiddie Avenue, Blackstone, Virginia 23824 sent us issue #6 (of volume #3) of her Wrestling Wire fan club bulletin this month. It consisted of twenty pages — size 8½ by 5½ — packed full of features, news, results from all over, and special farewell to Ricky Steamboat. She charges $1.50 for a single issue, $4.25 for the next three issues, or $10.00 for the next seven issues. Barbi promises a new bulletin each month.

Rene Ford, P.O. Box 188-W, New York, NY 10014 sent us issues #9 and #10 of her Wrestling Gazette fan club bulletin since our last report. Each consisted of eight letter size pages, again packed with news, results, opinions, and features — mainly on the WWF. Rene charges $1.25 for a single copy, or $12.00 for the next twelve issues. She promises a new bulletin each month.

Dave Meltzer, 6562 Winterset Way, San Jose, California 95120 sent us two issues of his Wrestling Observer fan club bulletin since our last report, the January and Special Yearbook issues. January had 20 legal size pages packed full of good news reports on many areas with a lot of opinions from Dave and his members. Dave charges $2.00 per issue or $7.00 for the next four issues. His 1983 Yearbook, for which he charges $3.00, has 38 pages with a complete review of the year.

Tom Burke, 31 Groveland Street, Springfield, MA 01108 sent us two issues of his Global Wrestling fan club bulletin since our last report. Issues #98 and #99 both consisted of six letter size pages packed with news, results and some clippings respectively from the months of November and December. Tom promises a new Global fan club bulletin each month and charges $1.00 plus a S.A.S.E. for a single issue, $5.00 for a four issue subscription, or $15.00 for a twelve issue subscription.

Mr. Burke also has an All Girl Wrestling fan club. We last received issue #13 of that club's bulletin — dated Summer 1983 in July. It consisted of ten letter size pages, packed full of news on lady wrestling from all over covering the period Oct. 1982 to May 1983. Tom doesn't put the Girl bulletins out on a regular schedule and sells them on a single issue only basis — charging $3.00 plus a S.A.S.E. for each.

Irwin Lazar, 87 Wexford Drive, Oakdale, New York 11769 sent us what is labeled as issue #7 of his Mat World fan club bulletin this month. This has us a bit confused as the last issue we received before this was labeled as issue #11 and dated December 1983 and this issue #7 was dated January 1984. In any case the bulletin was four legal size pages in length and contained news reports from many areas with the WWF and Atlanta promotions receiving the strongest coverage. Irwin charges 75¢ for a single issue, $5.00 for the next seven issues, or $8.50 for the next twelve issues. He promises a new issue each month.

Butch Whitehead, P.O. Box 1121, Somerset, Kentucky 42501 sent us two issues of his CWA Examiner fan club bulletin since our last report. Issue #16 consisted of eight 5½x8½ pages. Issue #17 consisted of twelve 5½x8½ size pages. Both concentrated their coverage on the Jarrett promotions in Tennessee and Kentucky. Butch charges $1.25 for a single issue, $7.00 for six issues, or $13.00 for twelve issues. He promises a new bulletin each month for his CWA club.

Mr. Whitehead also operates a fan club for Stan Lane. We received bulletin #7 from the Lane club this month. It consisted of five letter size pages racked with news in the honorary, results, pictures and a contest. Butch charges $5.00 annual dues and in return he promises those who join his Stan Lane club that they will receive four color photos, a profile sheet on Stan, and four bulletins per year.

Jim Schmidt, 149 Redwood Terrace, Williamsville, NY 14221 sent us two issues of his Buffalo Backdrop fan club bulletin. Issue #13 had 16 legal size pages while issue #14 had 18 legal size pages. They featured news and results and clippings from all over, with in depth coverage of the WWF cards in Buffalo. He charges $1.50 for a single issue or $4.25 for the next three issues. Mr. Schmidt promises a new bulletin each month.

Scott Dickinson, 16 Swan Street, Beverly, MA 01915 sent us two issues of his WWF Happenings fan club bulletin. Issue #16 had four and issue #17 had five legal size pages packed with news and results on the WWF and some other areas. He promises a new bulletin each month and charges 75¢ for a single copy, $3.00 for the next six issues, or $6.00 for the next twelve issues.

Michael O'Hara, P.O. Box 651, Gracie Station, New York, NY 10028 sent us two issues of his Combat Sports Monthly fan club bulletin since our last report. They were issues #70 and #71 and both consisted of sixteen pages — size 7 by 8½ — and included coverage of roller games, martial arts, and mainly pro wrestling, with clippings, results, reports, and opinions on our sport. Mr. O'Hara promises a new Combat Sports bulletin each month and charges $1.25 for a single copy, $6.00 for the next six issues, or $12.00 for the next twelve issues.

Michael also sent us issue #10 of his Hulk Hogan fan club bulletin in December, the same size as Combat Sports #69 described in the last paragraph, consisting of news, clippings, and results on Hulk Hogan's recent wrestling in this country and Japan. This was the third bulletin we received in 1983 for this club, just as his schedule promised. However, Michael has announced that in 1984 he will publish only one annual bulletin. He will continue to charge $5.00 annual dues and in return promises, beside the bulletin a profile sheet, a membership certificate, and four color photos of Hogan.

Mr. O'Hara also sent us issue #11 of his Bulldog Brower fan club bulletin in December. This was the same size as his other two already listed. The subject of the bulletin, of course, was Dick "Bulldog" Brower. Michael charges $5.00 annual dues for his Brower club and besides the annual bulletin he promises members a membership card, a profile sheet, a poster, and four color photos. He charges $2.00 for the bulletin alone.

Jerry L. Boyd, 160 Boyds Crossing Road, Griffin, GA 30223 sent us four different issues of his Georgia Peach State Wrestling fan club bulletin since our last report. They were dated December 7, 14, 21, and 28. They were all six letter size pages with news and results from Georgia and other areas. Jerry charges 80¢ plus a long S.A.S.E. for a single issue or $3.20 plus four such envelopes for the next four issues. He asked us to mention that he also wants to trade results with fans in other areas.

Terry Michaels, P.O. Box 1168, Whitehouse, TX 75791 sent us four different issues of his Wrestling Extra fan club bulletin since our last report, #6, #7, #8, and #9. Each consisted of four pages — size 5½ by 8½ — containing coverage in the main World Class promotions in Texas with some coverage also on the Mid South Wrestling Association promotions. Terry promises a new bulletin every other week. He charges 50¢ plus a S.A.S.E. for each issue.

Mike Rogers, 870 Fifth Avenue, Seaside, Oregon 97138 sent us two issues of his Ring Around The Northwest fan club bulletin since our last report. The November issue consisted of three letter size pages. The January issue consisted of four letter size pages. Both had very complete coverage on the Oregon-Washington area. Mike charges 50¢ per copy and promises a new bulletin each month.

Niles Browning, Route 1 Box 219, Goldendale, Washington 98620 sent us two issues of his Northwest Wrestling Action fan club bulletin since our last report. Issue #2 consisted of eight letter size pages filled with news and results on wrestling in the Portland, Oregon area. Issue #3 consisted of eight pages size 8½x5½ plus a letter size update sheet. Included was news from the Oregon area as well as some results reports from other parts of the country. Niles promises a new bulletin every four weeks. He charges $1.00 for a single issue, $5.00 for six issues, or $10.00 for twelve issues.

Andreas Matle, Homburger Strasse 17, 6000 Frankfurt-Mail 90, West Germany sent us two issues of his Catch Journal newsletter since our last report. Issue #1/84 consisted of three pages and issue #2/84 consisted of two pages. They both include reports on wrestling in Germany with news and results and history, all written in English, on the European wrestling scene. He charges $3.00 for a single issue or $5.00 for a four issue subscription and promises a new bulletin each month.

Vicky Barton, Route 1 Box 178, Dorchester, SC 29437 sent us issue #6 of her Roddy Piper fan club bulletin. It consisted of 16 letter size pages packed with pictures, clippings, results, and information on Mr. Piper. She charges $10.00 annual dues for this club and in return promises an autographed 5x7 picture of Roddy, an opening letter from Mr. Piper and four bulletins per year, however, in 1983 we only received two issues — #4 and #5.

George Paul Shire, 1980 E. Orange Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55119 sent us a copy of his Nick Bockwinkel record book which features a complete listing of all Minneapolis and St. Paul results of Bockwinkel matches since his debut in December 12, 1970, up until December 25, 1983. That is 13 complete years of the matches Bockwinkel had in the Twin Cities. The record consists of six letter size pages and George, who is a former fan club editor of The Wrestling News, is selling copies of this record for $5.00 each.

This concludes the review of new material we have received from fan clubs since our last report. We have also received a notice from a fan club that it is disbanding and there are several that we are dropping from our listing as we have not heard from them for such a long period of time. They are as follows:

Tom Walker, 700 Fernmeadow Drive, Appleton, WI 54915 notified us that he is discontinuing his Major League Wrestling Results fan club.

Tracy and Debbie Sturgeon, 302 East Avenue, Manito, IL 61546 have not sent us any material for their Spike Huber fan club since we received issue #1 of their bulletin in August of last year. They promised us and members bulletins every other month.

Eleanora Gaddy, 330 South Lane Drive, Elberfeld, Indiana 47613 has not sent us any material for her Jerry Lawler fan club since we received a bulletin in August of last year. She had promised us and members a bulletin every three months.

Gail Duncan, Route One, Box S-1, Pilot Mtn., NC 27041 has not sent us any material for her Ricky Steamboat fan club since we received a bulletin in August of last year. She promised us and members four bulletins per year.

All who discontinue operation of a fan club should contact all their members telling them of this fact, and should refund to their members any money paid them for issues that will not be published. If you have anything coming from any of these clubs write directly to them. There are also some clubs which, although we have not

heard from them since our last issue, we believe still are active and so we will continue to list them on our active roster for now They are:

Cheryl Ann Puryear, 410 Dinwiddie Avenue, Blackstone, VA 23824 sent us issue #5 of her Jay Youngblood fan club bulletin in December. It consisted of eighteen letter size pages packed with news, reports, clippings, pictures, and results. The emphasis of course was on Jay, with concentrated coverage also on his brother Mark and on the Mid Atlantic area. She charges $5.00 dues for this club and asks that they be paid via a money order made out to Cheryl A. Puryear. In return she promises members two 8x10 color photos a membership card, four regular issues of the "Apache Eagle" fan club bulletin per year, plus a special Christmas edition. We received a total of four bulletins in 1983 from Cheryl for this fan club.

Jamie Lackey, 801 Coulter, Sherwood, Ark, 72116 sent us issue #6 of his North American fan club bulletin in December. It consisted of ten letter size handwritten pages with news, results, reports, and ratings. He promises a new bulletin every other month and charges 50¢ per copy.

Daniel Billings, Rt. 1 Box 227, Millay Road, Bowdoinham, Maine 04008 sent us issue #35 of his Wrestling Writes fan club bulletin in December. It had a total of fourteen legal size pages packed with news and results from all over and with the usual in depth report on WWF action in Maine. Daniel now promises a new issue every five weeks and charges $1.00 for a single issue, $5.00 for the next six issues, or $10.00 for the next fourteen issues.

S.J. (Juda) Williamson, 1515 South Clermont St., Denver, CO 80222 sent us issue #1 of her Buck Zum Hofe fan club bulletin in December. It consisted of forty pages — size 5½x8½ — packed full of news on the A.W.A. World's Lightheavyweight Champion as well as news on other wrestlers and clubs and on items she is selling. Also included were a membership card and a color pictures. She charges $5.00 annual dues and in return promises members at least three bulletins per year.

Jim Young, 32 Finley Road, Edison, NJ 08817 sent us issue #2 of his The Month In Wrestling fan club bulletin in December. It contained four letter size pages with reports on the WWF, NWA, and AWA — with the most emphasis on the WWF. Jim charges 75¢ for a single issue, $2.75 for six issues, or $6.75 for twelve issues. He promises a new bulletin each month.

L.F. Puskas, 3782 Mission Street, #4, San Francisco, CA 94110 sent us issue #1 of her Wrestling Unlimited fan club bulletin in December. It consisted of eighteen letter size pages with news and pictures of both AWA and WWF wrestling in California. She charges $3.00 for this first issue. All other issues will be $1.75 plus 50¢ for postage and handling. Or you can order the next six issues for $10.75 or the next twelve issues for $19.95. She promises a new issue each month.

Evan R. Treharne (R), 5 Stockland Street, Caerphilly, Mid Glam CF8-1GD, Great Britain who writes the British Wrestling News colunn that appears regularly in The Wrestling News, also publishes his own Ringsport Magazine in Britain. We received issue #205 in October and it consisted of 16 pages printed on heavy gloss paper. Mr. Treharne has been publishing this magazine for twenty-four years. He charges $10.00 for an eight issue subscription and accepts dollar bills only from U.S. subscribers in order to avoid heavy bank charges he would otherwise have to pay there on foreign checks or money orders. The cost to British subscribers is 5 pounds.

Gerhard Schaefer, AM Moorgraben 10, 3320 Salzgitter 1, West Germany is offering four booklets containing results of American wrestlers in Germany. Each booklet contains 24 pages and the cost for the set is $5.00. Mr. Schaefer, whose European Wrestling News Column appears regularly in The Wrestling News, has also written a book on the promotions of Gustl Kaiser (published in German in 1982) and is selling copies of this book for $10.00 each.

Fan Club Summary: This concludes the fan club section for this issue of The Wrestling News. As far as we know, we have listed all of the active fan clubs at this time and told you how the various fan club presidents are doing as far as fulfilling their promises to their members. As always, we close with a warning that you deal with anyone listed in The Wrestling News at your own risk. We stress that we do not guarantee any offers made anywhere in this column, but simply provide this information to our readers as a service that can help them decide for themselves whether or not they wish to act on the information.

FOR TRADE

J. Michael Kenyon, 801 Pine Street, #19-E, Seattle, WA 98101 wants to form a North American Society of Professional Wrestling Historians and wishes to establish correspondence and exchange serious students of the game.

Robert Sejda, 333 Congress Avenue, Lansdowne, PA 19050 would like to trade VCR wrestling tapes mainly with Kabuki Abdullah and Andre mainly on them but would be glad to trade any other tapes also.

Ricky Short, Route 2 Box 297, Gretna, VA 24557 would like to trade VHS wrestling tapes with people in Georgia, Florida, WWF, Tennessee, Texas, ICW and especially Mid South for wrestling tapes of Mid Atlantic wrestling shows.

Mark Black, 308 East Garfield Avenue, New Castle, PA 16105 would like to trade old wrestling magazine and posters of Ric Flair, Tony Atlas, Antonio Inoki, Mil Mascaras, Jim Valiant, and Cowboy Bob Orton.

PHOTOS FOR SALE

Gene Gordon, P.O. Box 6878, Columbia, SC 29206 has three lists of wrestling photos for sale — girls, men, and midgets. He charges two 20¢ stamps for each list.

Toni L. Trapp, 3311 Templeton, Greenville, TX 75401 has a list of wrestling photos she is selling. Send her a S.A.S.E. for a copy.

Barbie Barker, 410 Dinwiddie Avenue, Blackstone, Va 23824 has photos of many top wrestlers for sale — mainly from the WWF and Mid Atlantic areas. For a complete list send her two 20¢ stamps along with your name and address.

Kenny Carpenter, P.O. Box 1168, Whitehouse, TX 75791 has photos for sale. He will send you a list of them in return for a S.A.S.E.

Joe Kennedy, Rt. 1 Box 3, Quinton Road, Bronston, KY 42518 has photos of girl wrestlers for sale — color and black & white. Send him a S.A.S.E. for his list.

Bruce Viner, 420 West Belmont #22-F, Chicago, IL 60857 will provide you with a list of photos he has for sale in return for a S.A.S.E.

Linda Churchill, 1210 S. 7th Street, Kelso, Washington 98626 has photos of northwest wrestlers including Roddy Piper, Ric Flair, Andre the Giant, Jay Youngblood, and lady wrestlers for sale. She offers her complete list in return for a S.A.S.E.

Bruce Whitehead, 980 East Mt. Vernon, Somerset, KY 42501 has photos for sale, he offers a list in return for a S.A.S.E.

Ted Sweet, 118 Bryant Street, Ft. Benning, GA 31905 will provide you with a list of the photos he has for sale and two samples of his work in return for $1.00 and a S.A.S.E.

Doug Parks, 1523 Palmer, Pueblo, CO 81004 had three lists of wrestling photos — men, women and midgets. Send 50¢ and a self addressed stamped envelope for all three lists.

Joe and Ron Cunliffe, P.O. Box 265, Lansdowne, PA 19050 have a list of wrestling photos for sale. They have been taking photos since 1967 and have many, many stars, including the new Continental Wrestling Alliance. Send $2.00 plus a self-addressed stamped long envelope with 40¢ postage for a sixteen page list and a free photo.

Kevin Barnes, 5585 Mt. Tabor Road, Chillicothe, OH 45601 has photos of different stars including Orndorff, Rich, Sawyers, Flair, Bruiser Brody, and more. Prices range from 50¢ to $1.25. For a free list send a long self-addressed stamped envelope.

WANT ADS

Kenneth P. Verret, 505 Gouaux Avenue, Houma, LA 70364 is interested in purchasing photos of wrestlers, wrestling for the Independent Promotions.

Christine Clements, 286 Chestnut Street, Lynn, MA 01902 is interested in purchasing photos of David, Kevin, and Kerry Von Erich. She would also like to find pen pals who share her interest in the Von Erich Brothers.

King Kong Bundy

SSG Thomas White Jr., US A RPC Fulda Box 27, APO NY 09146 would like to receive offers from people who are selling items related to professional wrestling.

FOR SALE

Todd Alpert, 40 Manning Circle, Pelham, NY 10803 has a list of wrestling magazines he has for sale which he has agreed to provide to all who send him a S.A.S.E.

Frank Crasso, 1915 E. Clarence Street, Philadelphia, PA 19134 has a list of video tapes — both VHS and BETA, which he will provide in return for a S.A.S.E.

Bob Miller, P.O. Box 397, Nolanville, TX 76559 has a list of buttons of Southwest wrestling stars that he is selling. He will provide you with this list in return for a S.A.S.E.

Freebird Michael Hayes

Ray Allison, 429 Wyoming, Bethalto, IL 62010 has a list of wrestling magazines that he is offering for sale which he will provide you with in return for a S.A.S.E.

Allan Cooper, 12700 Murray, Taylor, MI 48180 has a list of wrestling magazines he has for sale which he has agreed to provide to all who send him a S.A.S.E.

Michael Bauman, 11520 S.W. 203 Terrace, Miami, Florida 33189 has a list of Miami wrestling programs he is selling. He will provide a copy of this list to all who write him and send a S.A.S.E.

PEN PALS

Alva Hall, Route 1 McLean Street, Colchester, IL 62326 is eighteen years old and would like pen pals who like wrestling. Her favorites are Tiger Mask, Mr. Wrestling II, Harley Race, Mil Mascaras, and Booker "T" The Street Man.

David Novelli, 33 Charlotte Ave., Trenton, NJ 08629 would like to corespond with the following wrestlers: Tony Zane, Paul Garner, Zane Smith, and Jeff Craney.

Jack Elliott, Box 69, Carberry, Manitoba, Canada ROK OHO would like to find pen pals who share his interest in Atlas, Hogan, Martel, etc. and would also like to exchange personal photos with his correspondents.

Kerry von Erich

Darlene McKinney, 918 South Walker, West Plains, MO 65775 would like to find pen pals who share her interest in Tommy Rich, Brett and Buzz Sawyer, and Michael Hayes. She promises to answer all.

Kurt J. Artman, P.O. Box 1652, Angleton, TX 77515 would like to find pen pals who share his interest in professional wrestling.

Paul T. Mackey, 6522 Kensington Avenue, Richmond, VA 23226 would like to correspond with girl wrestlers and possible future girl wrestlers.

Jim Seckel, 477 Baja Court, Camarillo, CA 93010 would like to correspond with any and all fans of such great wrestlers as Paul Ellering, Sgt. Slaughter, The Masked Superstar, or Don Muraco.

Lori Bailey, 3990 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84107 would like pen pals in the AWA area. Especially fans of Rick Martel.

Sharon Hall, Route 1, Colchester IL 62326 says she is twenty years old and would like pen pals who also like wrestling. Her favorites are midget wrestlers, Mark Romero, Rick Steamboat, Chavo Guerrero, and Dino Bravo.

Kyle Speirs, 34 Lynnfield Terrace, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 would like pen pals who admire Jimmy Snuka, Rocky Johnson, Tony Atlas, Hulk Hogan, Andre The Giant, and more. He promises to write back to everyone who writes to him.

CONCLUSION

To close out this section of The Wrestling News we would like to invite all who are interested in being listed in The Wrestling Fans News (Swap 'N Sell) department to send a S.A.S.E. (self-audressed stamped envelope) and request an application form from The Wrestling News, P.O. Box 3325, Mankato, MN 56002. Our special thanks to Kenny Carpenter for the photos in this section.

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growing up in Omaha, Nebraska, and turned pro as a teenager. His career, sliced by military service in World War II, saw him headline matches in many areas. In later years he was a top referee.

ART NELSON: We have received a report of his death but no details or confirmation. Art was a top star on his own and also reached the heights in tag matches. Probably his greatest success came when he teamed with Stan Holek and then became known as the "Neilson" Brothers (as Art's last name was sometimes spelled) and held the World's Tag Team Championship.

VETO TALLARITA, the long time W.W.F. wrestling promoter in the Springfield, Mass., area passed away recently. Charles Gilbert wrote us to note that Mr. Tallarita was always well respected by all and very cooperative to writers. He was blind for some time before his death, but never lost the fighting spirit. In his earlier years he had been a top featherweight boxer going against such stars as Willie Pep.

Fritz Kley (pictured above) was one of four top European stars who passed away recently. He, and the other three — Hans Schwarz, Gottfroed Gruneisen, and Bruno Mosig — were noted in the European Wrestling News section by Gerhard Schafer in our magazine.

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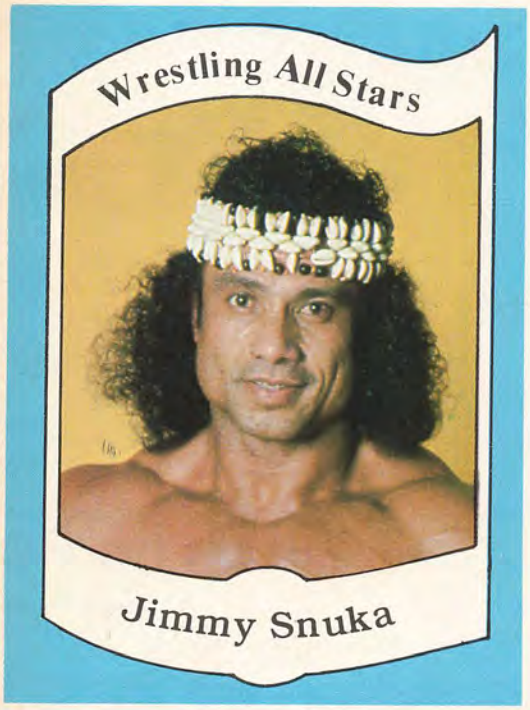

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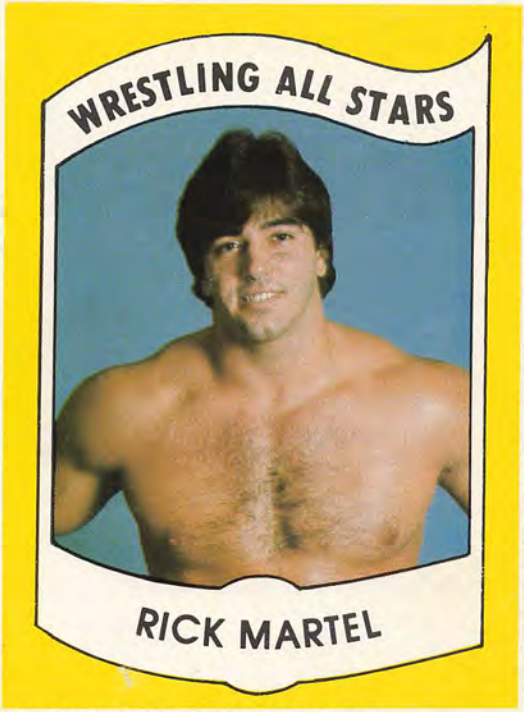

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STILL AVAILABLE — 1982 SERIES "B"
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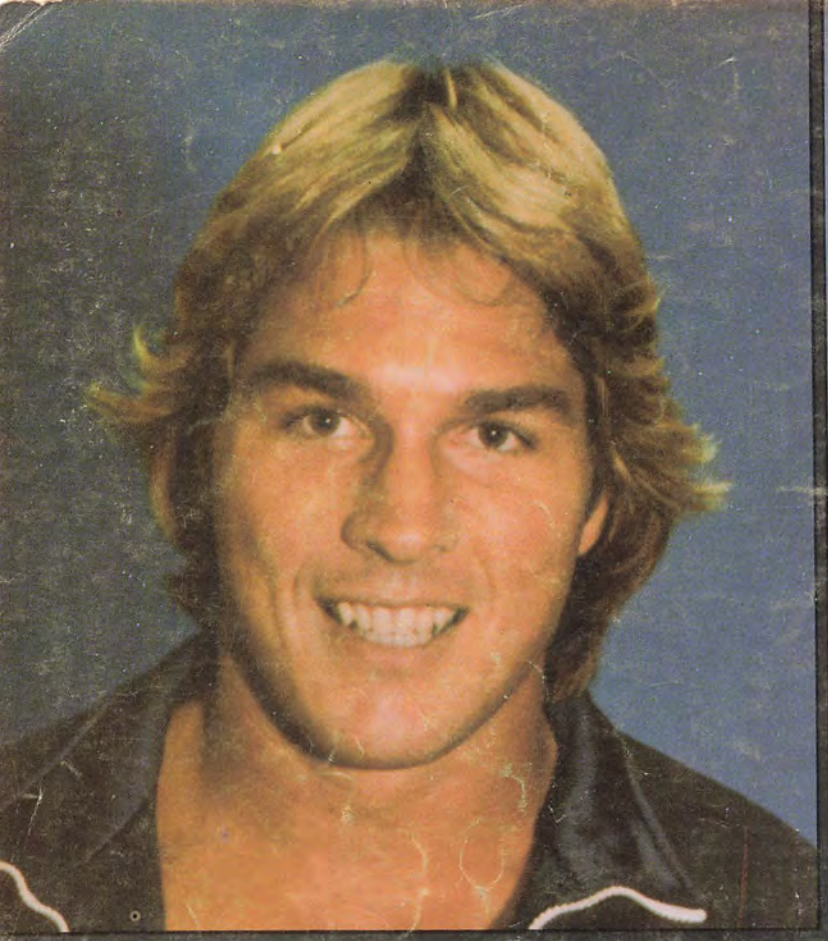

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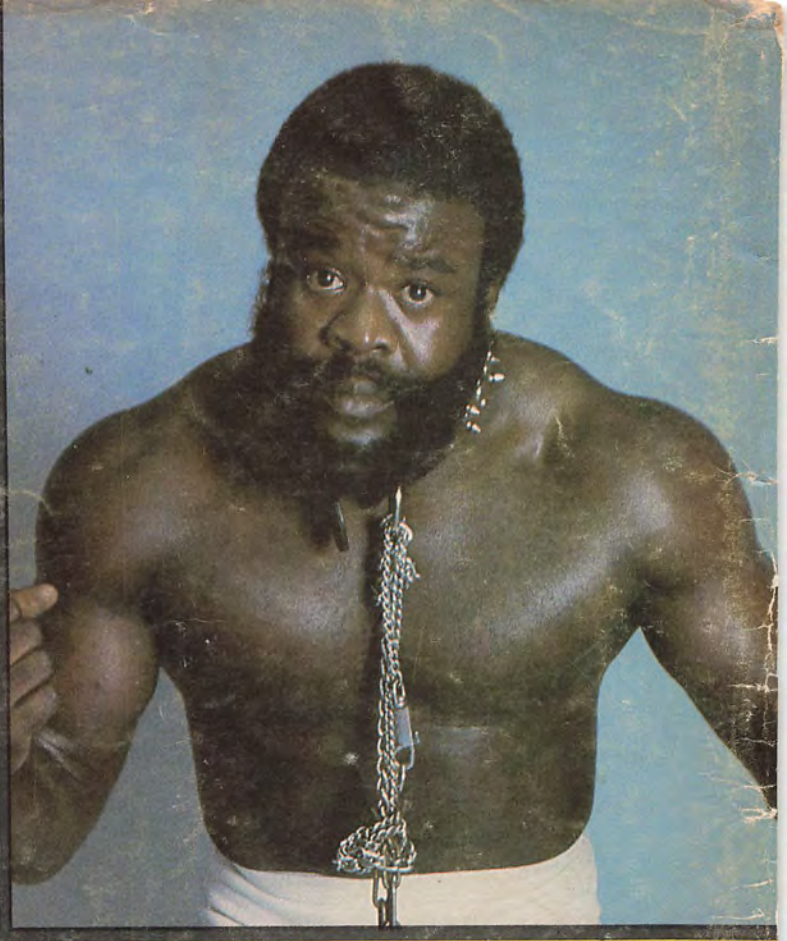

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